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1878 Edward Wright of Essex County was a son of 1815 Edward Wright of King and Queen County and Mary J. "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

> "Family Record
> Marriages
> . . . .
> Edward Wright and Mary his wife was married on third of Jun 1825
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> Births
> . . . .
> Edward Wright son of Edward & Polley Wright was born 20th. December 1801-
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> Edward Wright son of Edward Wright senr. died the 10th June 1878 in his 77th. year."

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of William A. Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 20647, which provided as follows:

> "Edward Wright (an only child of William Wright) was married to Polly J. Pitts (a daughter of David Pitts) on the 28th of Octo: 1789-Polly J died on the 23rd. March 1808: and Edward died on the 25th. Sept. 1815. Their children were,
> . . . .
> 6th. Edward, born 20th Dec. 1801
> . . . .
> Edward the 6th child, was married 27 Dec. 1825, to Mary E. Starling a daughter of Roderick Starling of King Wm. His own private register will give all information in relation to his own family--
> . . . .

The foregoing is taken from the family record to be found in the old family Bible in the charge of D. P. Wright, and is intended to be sealed to, and made part and parcel of my own immediate family record-Done this 2nd. Sept. 1854

W. A Wright

My mother who was Mary Pitts a daughter of David Pitts, was born on the 18 December 1789, as I find by reference to an old family record, lately submitted to my inspection. I cannot ascertain the precise date of the birth of my Father Edward Wright, but, from the best information I can now obtain, he was nearly of the same age of my mother, perhaps one year of so older

W. A. Wright
1st June 1856"

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Jr., a copy of which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Richard Motley Hutchinson, Jr., of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
Marriages

Edward & Mary Esthee Sterling were married Jun 27th 1825
Lucy E Wright was married to James H Blakey March 13th 1857
Matilda J. Wright and John Temple were married November 30th 1858
Mary Jane Wright and Benjamin P Wright were married February 18th 1864
Martha Waring Wright and Thomas Evans Blakey were married December 17th 1896
Mary Esther Blakey and John R. Gwathney were married August 11 1926
Robert Edward Wright and Sadie Berkley Grymes were married September 28" 1898 Latter died 1/4/1949
Mary Esther Wright the daughter of Dr Benj. P. Wright and his wife Mary Jane (nee Wright) was married on the 17th Dec. 1902 to Benj. J. Saunders the son of Wm A. Saunders and his wife Mary Elizabeth (nee Monroe)
Margaret Monroe Saunders and William Buckner Haile were marred September 5, 1931

Births

Lucy Ellen Wright daughter of Edward & Mary Esther his wife was born Nov 3rd 1826
Mary Jane Wright daughter of Edward & Mary Esther his wife was born Oct 19th 1833

Robinett Wright daughter of Edward & Mary Esther his wife was born Oct 18th 1836
Matilda J Wright daughter of Edward & Mary E Wright was born February 21st 1841
Mary Jane Temple daughter of John & Matilda J. his wife was born 19th October 1859
Janet Grey Temple daughter of John & Matilda J. his wife was born 27th February 1861
John Temple son of John & Matilda J. his wife was born 5th May 1862
William Latane Temple son of John Temple and Matilda J. his wife was born 3 Jany 1866
Edward Arthur Temple son of John Temple and Matilda J. his wife was born 5th September 1867
Edward Wright was born June 20th 1807
Mary Esther Wright was born June 25th 1808
Mary Esther Wright daughter of Benjn P Wright and Mary Jane his wife was born 4th July 1868 Died 6/22/52
Robert Edward Wright son of Benjn P. Wright and Mary Jane his wife was born the 1st day of March 1870 Died 10/4/1948
Martha Waring Wright daughter of Benjn P. Wright and Mary Jane his wife was born 2nd day July 1871 Died 8/24/1948
Mary Esther Blakey daughter of Thomas E Blakey and Martha W his wife was born July 5th 1899 Died Dec 30 1966
William Benjamin Saunders, the son of B. J. Saunders, and his wife Mary Esther, was born at Greenway Jan 4th 1904 Died Feb 26, 1970
Margaret Monroe Saunders, the daughter of B. J. Saunders and his wife Mary Esther, was born at Burk____ Septr 14 1908

Deaths

Lucy Ellen Blakey wife of James A. Blakey & daughter of Edward & Mary E. Wright died July 19th 1854
Robinette Wright daughter of Edward & Mary E. Wright died July 18th 1854
Mary Esther Wright wife of Edward Wright died 27th October 1865 - age 57 years 4 months & 2 days
Edward Wright died June 10th 1878 in the 77th year of his age
Mary Jane Wright, wife of Dr. B. P. Wright, and daughter of Edward and Mary E. Wright, died Jany. 2nd 1889
Matilda J. Temple wife of John Temple died June 1907
Benjiman P. Wright son of Robert Wright and Martha Warning Wright died Nov 7, 1907
Thomas Evans Blakey died Feb 17 1915
Edward Arther Temple son of John and Matilda his wife died Jan, 1924
Benjamin Junius Saunders June 23 1922
Janett Grey Wilson (Temple) Jan. 12, 1932

John Temple Jr. Mch 30 1932
John Temple Sr. Aug 25, 1904"

The 1820 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner of Land	Residence	Number of Acres of Land	Description of Land	Distance & bearing from the Ct. House
Edward Wright	Essex	56	R G Haile & others	7 W

Rate of Land p Acre Dols Cts	Sum added on account Buildings Dls Cts	Total Value of Land Dls Cts	Amt. of Tax on Land at 12½ cents p $100 value Dls Cts	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
7.00		392.50	.49	

The listing of this land as adjacent to R. G. Haile and the listing of Edward Wright as resident in King and Queen County in the following 1822 and 1823 Land Tax Lists indicate that this Edward Wright was the son of 1815 Edward Wright of King and Queen County and this record reflects an inheritance of 1815 Edward Wright's land by his son.

The 1821 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	In fee	56	Robert G Haile

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land p Acre including buildings	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total Value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of the Tax at the rate if nine cents per $100 value	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
7 W	7.00		392.00	.36	

The 1822 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple or for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	King & Qn		56	Robt G Haile

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per Acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of nine cents for every $100 Value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
7 west	7.00		392.00	.36	

This record reflects a move of Edward Wright from Essex County to King and Queen County.

The 1823 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple or for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	King & Queen		56	Robt G Haile

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dolls Cents	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of eight cents for every $100 Value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
7 West	7.00		392.00	.32	

On April 1, 1823, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 41/25 Edward Wright sold to Robert G. Haile 56½ acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 1st day of April 1823 Between Edward Wright of the County of King & Queen of the one part, and Robert G Haile of the County of Essex of the other part, Witnesseth that the aforesaid Edward Wright for & in consideration of the sum of Eleven hundred & thirty Dols. Current money of Virginia to him in hand paid by the said Robert G Haile, the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge hath bargained, sold aliened & enfeoffed & confirmed & by these presents doth bargain sell alien enfeoff & confirm unto the said Ro. G Haile his heirs & assigns, all that certain tract & parcel of land lying & being in the County of Essex containing fifty six & a half acres be the same more or less & bounded as follows (Viz) Beginning at Hailes Bridge, thence down the road leading from said Bridge 388 poles to a Stake, thence N 3-3/4 W 139 poles to Piscataway Run, thence up the meanders of the run 104 poles to the beginning. To Have & to hold the said tract & parcel of land above described together with all ways woods waters & water courses & appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining unto the said Ro G Haile his heirs & assigns forever. And he the said Edward Wright doth hereby grant & covenant to and with the said Ro: G Haile his heirs Exors admors and assigns, that he the said Ro G Haile his heirs assigns &c shall and & may now & hereafter quietly & peaceably have hold possess and enjoy the tract of land & premises by these presents conveyed, without suit, trouble or hindrance of him the said Edward Wright his heirs Exors admors or assigns. And the said Edward Wright doth by these presents for himself his heirs admrs. or assigns warrant unto the said Ro G Haile his heirs Exors admrs and assigns forever the said tract & parcel of land with the appurtenances against the claim or right of him the said Edward Wright his heirs Exors admrs or assigns & against the claim or claims of all & every other person or persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal the day & year above written.

Witness
Wm H Hutcheson
W A Wright

Edward Wright

Essex County Court Office 16th day of June 1823

This Deed from Edward Wright to Robert G Haile was this day acknowledged before me in my said office by the said Edward Wright to be his proper act and deed and admitted to Record

Exd

Teste
William B Matthews Clk

Recd. of the Clerk of Essex County Court the original Deed from Edward Wright to myself recorded opposite Augt 7th 1823.

R. G. Haile"

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on April 5, 1823:

Date of receiving lists from Individuals	Persons chargeable with the tax	No. of white tithes	Slaves above Sixteen years old	Slaves between 12 & 16 years old	Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No $
Apr 5	Edward Wright	1	1		1	

Two wheel riding and pleasure carriages Four wheel riding and pleasure carriages Stage waggons Surry waggons & Carrialls belonging thereto	Amount of tax	Proof
	.59	

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on April 3, 1824:

Date of receiving lists from Individuals	Persons chargeable with the tax	No. of white tithes	Slaves above Sixteen years old	Slaves between 12 & 16 years old	Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No $
Ap 3	Edward Wright	1	5		3	

Two wheel riding and pleasure carriages Four wheel riding and pleasure carriages Stage waggons Surry waggons & Carrialls belonging thereto	Amount of tax	Proof
	2.71	

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on April 1, 1825:

Date of receiving lists from Individuals	Persons names chargeable with tax	Number of white tithes	Slaves above sixteen years old	Slaves between 12 & 16 years old	Horses mares mules & Colts	Stud Horses
Apl 1	Edwd Wright	1	4		3	

Two wheel riding and pleasure carriages Four wheel riding and pleasure carriages Stage waggons Surry waggons & Carrialls belonging thereto	Amount of tax	Proof
	1.77	

The 1825 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of land
Edward Wright			134	Jos. Upsaw Est

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land Pr acre including buildlings	Sum added to land on account of buildings	Total amount of land & buildings	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 cts pr $100 value	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
27 do [miles] [NW]	4.50		603	.49	

This record reflects the acquisition by Edward Wright of 134 acres of land in King & Queen County. The indicated location would be near the land of his father Edward Wright.

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on April 1, 1826:

Date of receiving lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with tax	No of white tithes	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves between 12 & 16 years old	Horses Mares Mules & Colts	Stud Horses
Apl 1	Edwd Wright	1	6	1	2	

Two wheel riding and pleasure carriages Four wheel riding and pleasure Carriages Stage Waggons Jersey Waggons & Carry-alls & Harness belonging thereto	Amot of tax	Proof
One 2 wheel riding Carriage $100	4.53	

The 1826 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of land
Edward Wright			134	Jos. Upshaw Est

Distance and bearing from the Court-house	Value of land p acre including buildlings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total amount of land & buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of Eight cents p Hundred dollar value	Explanation of alterations during the pre-ceeding year
27 Do Do [NW]	4.50		603	.49	

On December 28, 1826, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 42/118 Edward Wright of King and Queen County purchased from Albert and Eliza Rennolds 650 acres of land in Essex County:

> "This Indenture made this 28th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty six Between Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the first part and Edward Wright of the County of King and Queen and State aforesaid of the second part. Witnesseth that the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Three thousand five hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said Edward Wright at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and from the payment of which the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife do hereby exonerate acquit and discharge the said Edward Wright his heirs executors administrators and assigns and every of them forever by these presents, the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife have granted bargained sold aliened, released enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain, sell alien release enfeoff and confirm unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns forever a certain messuage tenement parcel or tract of land situate lying and being in the said County of Essex, and State aforesaid containing Six hundred and fifty five acres,

be the same more or less, being the same land devised by Sthreshly Rennolds decd. the father of the said Albert Rennolds and described in the last Will and testament of the said Sthreshly Rennolds decd as his quarter tract of land, bounded as follows to wit beginning at a white oak in Gatewoods line corner to Edwin Upshaw running thence N 37½ W 76½ poles to a stake corner to said Gatewood thence N 13° E 150 poles to a hickory thence N 42½° W 43 poles to a stake in Hills line thence N 38° E 165 poles to a Black oak corner to said Hill, thence N 7½o W 26½ Poles to a hickory on the south side of the road in Hills line thence along the said road N 87o E 90 poles to a stake in Smithers line, thence south 53½o E 295 poles to a hickory stump corner to Sale, thence S 1° W 66 poles to a large white oak by a branch corner to Fisher, thence S 67½o W 396 poles to a stake thence S 57° W 26 poles to the beginning, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, of all and singular the said tract of land and premises, hereby granted and of every part and parcel thereof, and all the rents services issues and profits to the same or any part or parcel thereof, incident belonging or appertaining, and also all and every the Estates, rights titles claims, interests and demands whatsoever of them the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife in to or out of the said tract of land and every part and parcel thereof. To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land and all other the premises hereby granted bargained and sold, or intended to be hereby granted bargained and sold and every part and parcel thereof, with their and every of their appurtenances unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns forever, to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns forever and the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife doth hereby covenant to and with the said Edward Wright, for themselves their heirs Executors and administrators the said tract of land and premises hereby granted or intended to be granted and every part or parcel thereof, with all and singular their and every of their rights members and appurtenances unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns, against them the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife, and their heirs and against all and every other persons whatsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents, and the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife, for themselves their heirs Executors and administrators and every of them do covenant and grant to and with the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns and to and with every of them by these presents, in manner and form following (that is to say) that the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife now are the true and lawful owners of the said tract of land and premises hereby granted or intended be granted and of every part, and parcel thereof with their and every of their appurtenances and is right fully and absolutely, seised thereof of a good pure absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in fee simple, without any manner of condition, trust contingent, covenant, proviso or limitation of use or uses or other restraint matter or thing whatsoever to alter change, charge determine incumber, defeat or evict the same, and also that they the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife now have good right lawful and absolute power and authority in themselves to grant alien and convey all and singular the said Tract of land and premises hereby granted

or intended to be hereby granted as aforesaid and every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns in manner and form as aforesaid, and also that the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns, and every of them shall or lawfully may from time to time, and at all and every time and times hereafter have hold occupy use possess and enjoy all and singular the said tract of land and premises hereby granted or intended to be granted and every part, and parcel thereof with all and singular their and every of their appurtenances and all and every the rents issues and profits and commodities thereof arising accruing and growing, to have receive and take without any manner of let trouble, vexation eviction, disturbance or other hindrance or molestation whatsoever of, or by the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife their heir or assigns or any other person or persons whatsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the said tract of land and premises or any part or parcel thereof and also that the said land tenements hereditaments hereby granted or mentioned or hereby intended to be granted hereby, as aforesaid and every part and parcel thereof with all and singular and every of their appurtenances now are and be, and from henceforth forever hereafter shall continue remain and be unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns free and clear & freely & clearly & absolutely freed and acquitted, exonerated and discharged of and from all and all manner of former and other bargains sales, gifts, grants, feoffments devises uses jointures dowers estates leases, rights titles, rents arrears of rent issues, fines enticements, debts duties judgments executions and all debts of record, extents seizures, charges, titles, troubles forfeitures taxes annuities & incumbrances whatsoever had made committed done or acknowledged or caused to be had made committed done or acknowledged by the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife or any other person or persons whatsoever and moreover that the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter upon every reasonable request and at the proper costs and charges of the said Edward Wright his heirs or assigns make do and execute or cause to be made done and executed all and every such other lawful & reasonable acts conveyances and assurances in the law, for the further better, more perfect & absolute granting conveying and assuring of the said tract or parcel of land with its appurtenances unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns forever as by the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns or by his, or their counsel learned in the law shall be reasonably advised, devised or required. In Witness whereof the said Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day & year first herein written

Albert Rennolds
Eliza Rennolds

Received this 28th December 1826 of Edward Wright for the sum of Five thousand dollars which sum with the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars to be paid by the said Wright to Louisa Rennolds and subject to the payment of which the

said Wright takes the land and premises herein conveyed makes the full consideration expressed in the foregoing Indenture

Teste Albert Rennolds
Walter Bowie

In the 4th clause of the last Will and testament of Sthreshly Rennolds decd he gives the land conveyed in the foregoing deed to his son Albert, and subjects the same together with the other lands devised to his son Albert to the payment of fifteen hundred dollars to his estate, in the 10th clause of said Will the said Sthreshly Rennolds gives to his daughter Louisa the sum of Two thousand dollars to be paid by his sons William & Albert in the following proportions to wit by his son William five hundred dollars and by his son Albert fifteen hundred dollars, which said sum of fifteen hundred dollars is a part of the consideration paid by said Edward Wright as expressed in the foregoing indenture, and it is the intention and meaning of the contracting parties hereto that the said Edward Wright takes the lands herein conveyed subject to the payment of the aforesaid sum of fifteen hundred dollars to Louisa Rennolds bequeathed to her as aforesaid. In Witness whereof the said Edward Wright hath hereunto set his hand and seal this 28th Dec. 1826

Test Edward Wright
Archibald Ritchie
Walter Bowie

Essex County to wit

We Archibald Ritchie and Walter Bowie Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Eliza Rennolds the wife of Albert Rennolds parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 28th of December 1826 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Eliza Rennolds acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 28th December 1826

Archibald Ritchie
Walter Bowie

Essex County to wit

We Archibald Ritchie and Walter Bowie Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Albert Rennolds a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 28th December 1826 and hereto annexed

personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands & seals this 28th December 1826

Archibald Ritchie
Walter Bowie

Essex County Court Office January 6th 1827

This Deed from Albert Rennolds and Eliza his wife to Edward Wright was this day produced in the said Office, and together with the Justices certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste
William B Matthews Clk.

Essex County Court Office, February 1st 1827

The foregoing memorandum signed by Edward Wright was this day acknowledged before me in the said Office by said Wright to be his proper act and deed and admitted to record

Exd

Teste
Zach. M. Crittenden DC
for Wm B. Matthews Clk

1828 Dec. 13th Recd the original recorded opposite & the writing annexed.

Teste
L. N. Crittenden"

Edward Wright

The Personal Property Tax Lists for King & Queen County, Virginia, did not list Edward Wright in 1827 or thereafter.

The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Horses Mares Asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
	Edward Wright	8	2		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and harness of Every Description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
1 gig $60 value	4.60	

This record reflects the move of Edward Wright from King & Queen County to Essex County following his marriage to Mary Esther Starling in 1825 and the purchase of 655 acres of land in Essex County by Essex County Deed 42/118.

The 1827 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, did not list Edward Wright. The absence of that listing indicates the disposition of his 134 acres of land in King & Queen County and in conjunction with his listing in the 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County indicate a change of residence from King & Queen County to Essex County.

The 1827 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edwin Sepshaw

10 NW	6.50		4256.59	3.41	Conveyed to you by Albert Rennolds

This record reflects the purchase in 1826 of 650 acres of land by Essex County D.B. 42/118.

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	7	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 value	4.15

The 1828 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright			655	Edwin Upshaw

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land & Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
10 NW	6.50		4257.50	3.41	

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts Mules &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	8	4		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 value	4.10

The 1829 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edward Upshaw

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10 do	6.50		4257.50	3.41	

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mares	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	9	5		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 value	4.05

The 1830 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edwin Upshaw

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10 do	6.50		4257.50	3.41	

The 1830 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Edward Wright	1	20-30	1	20-30
	2	15-20	1	0-5

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
1	36-55	1	36-55				
1	24-36	2	24-36				
2	10-24	2	10-24				
5	0-10	5	0-10				

	White Persons included in the foregoing				
Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
22					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing			
Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses Mares, asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	9	4		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Phaeton $100	3.49

The 1831 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edwin Upshaw

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
10 do	6.50		4257.50	3.41	

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	9	4		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Phaeton $80	3.49

The 1832 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edwin Upshaw

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses	
				Number	Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	9	5		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Phaeton $60	3.55

The 1833 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edwin Upshaw

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
10 do	6.50		4257.50	3.41	

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	9	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Phaeton $50	3.42

The 1834 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edwin Upshaw

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
10 do	6.50		4257.50

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
3.41	

On October 23, 1834, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 44/396 Edward Wright purchased from Thomas M. and Elizabeth Henley their interest in a grist mill owned by Thomas M. Henley and David W. Pitts:

> "This Indenture made this 23d day of October 1834. Between Thomas M Henley and Elizabeth his wife of the first part and Edward Wright of the second part both of the County of Essex - Witnesseth that the said Thomas M Henley and Elizabeth his wife for and in Consideration of the sum of Three hundred and fifty dollars to them in hand paid by the said Edward Wright at and before the signing sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof they the said Thomas M Henley and Elizabeth his wife do hereby acknowledge have granted bargained sold aliened and Conveyed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien and Convey to the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns, one undivided moiety of a certain water grist Mill with the land thereto attached being the same which is now owned and held by the said Thomas M Henley and David W Pitts as jointenants, and formerly owned by Albert Rennolds and which was devised to him by the Will of his father the late Sthreshley Rennolds, the boundaries whereof may be more fully seen by reference to a certain plat of the Condemned land and another plat and deed from the said Albert Rennolds to Humphrey Hill all of record in the Office of the County Court of Essex. To have and to hold the said undivided moiety of the said Mill and land thereto attached as aforesaid with the ways, road, water courses, buildings, enclosures, appendages appurtenances and all things in any wise appertaining thereto or intended to be used and enjoyed as a part or parcel thereof to him the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Thomas M Henley and Elizabeth his wife for themselves their heirs executors and administrators do hereby Covenant and agree to and with the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns that they the said Thomas M Henley and Elizabeth his wife and their heirs the said one Moiety of the said Mill and the land &c thereto attached with their appurtenances &c as before set forth and described, with a full, sure, perfect, absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in fee simple in and to the same, unto him the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns against them the said Thomas M Henley and Elizabeth his wife and their heirs and against all persons whomsoever shall and will by these presents forever warrant and defend. In Witness whereof the said Thomas M Henley and

Elizabeth his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written.

All erasures and interline-) Thomas M Henley
ations made before signed) Elizabeth Henley

Essex County to wit

We William B Beverly and Thomas Wright Jr Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Thomas M Henley a party to a Certain deed bearing date on the 23d day of October 1834 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands & seals this 23d day of October 1834.

Wm B Beverley
Thos Wright Jr

Essex County to wit -

We William B Beverley and Thomas Wright Jr Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Elizabeth Henley the wife of Thomas M Henley parties to a Certain deed bearing date on the 23d day of October 1834 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Elizabeth Henley acknowledgedthe same to be her act and deed and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 23d day of October 1834.

Wm B Beverley
Thos. Wright Jr

Essex County Court Clerk's Office October 29" 1834

This Deed was produced in the Office aforesaid and admitted to record with the Justices Certificates annexed.

Teste
N J P Whitlocke Dy C:
for James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of Horses Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	9	7		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Phaeton $50	3.67

The 1835 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edwin Upshaw

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
10 NW	6.50		4257.50

Amount of Tax at the rate of Eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
3.41	

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

	Edward Wright	7	8		

1 Phaeton $50	3.23

The 1836 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edwin Upshaw

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls	Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls	Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls	Cents
10 NW	6.50				4257.50	

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
3.41		

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	8	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
1 Phaeton $50	3.36	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	308¾	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
11 NW	4.00		1235.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
.99	

On January 18, 1838, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 46/6 Edward Wright and Mary E. Wright sold to Linneus C. Gatewood their interest in the grist mill purchased by Essex County, Virginia, Deed 44/396:

> "This Indenture made this 18th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight, between Edward Wright and Mary E his Wife of the County of Essex of the first part, and Linneus C Gatewood of the same County of the second part, Witnesseth that the said Edward Wright and Mary E his Wife, for and in Consideration of the sum of six hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said Linneus C Gatewood at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained, sold, aliened, released, enfeoffed and Confirmed and by these presents, do grant, bargain, sell alien release, enfeoff and Confirm unto the said Linneus C Gatewood and his heirs and assigns, forever, one equal & undivided moiety of a certain Water grist Mill and the lands thereto attached situate lying and being in the County aforesaid purchased by the said Edward Wright of Thomas M Henley as will appear by the deed of the said Thomas M Henley and Elizabeth his Wife, to the said Edward Wright bearing date the 23rd day of October 1834: and duly admitted to record in the Clerks office of the County Court of Essex in the 29th of the same month; and is the same mill and land, at this time held by Beven D Pitts as devisee of his brother David W. Pitts ded and the said Edward Wright as transferee of the said Thomas M Henley as tenants in Common, the boundaries whereof will be fully seen by reference to a certain plat attached to this deed from Albert Rennolds & wife, to the said David W Pitts bearing date the 24 May 1826, to the boundaries named in said

deed, and to another plat, and deed from the said Albert Rennolds to Humphrey Hill all of record, in the Clerks office of the County Court of Essex. To have and to hold, the said undivided moiety of the said Mill and land attached thereto, with the ways, roads, water Courses, buildings, enclosures, appendages, and appurtenances, and all things, in any wise appertaining thereto or intended to be used as a part and parcel thereof to him, the said Linneus G. Gatewood his heirs and assigns forever, /and to and for his and their only proper use and behoof, and the said Edward Wright & Mary E his Wife, for themselves, their heirs, Executors and administrators and each and every of them do hereby covenant and agree to and with the said Linneus G Gatewood his heirs and assigns, that they the said Edward Wright and Mary E his Wife, their heirs Executors and administrators and each and every of them, the said moiety of the mill and land thereto attached, with the ways, woods, water Courses, buildings enclosures appendages and appurtenances and all things in any wise appertaining thereto, and intended to be used, as a part and parcel thereof unto him the said Linneus C Gatewood, his heirs and assigns, they the said Edward Wright and Mary E. his wife their and each of their heirs, Executors and administrators shall & will warrant and forever defend and also that he the said Linneus C Gatewood his heirs & assigns, and every of them, shall and lawfully may from time to time, and at all and every time and times hereafter have hold, occupy possess, and enjoy, all and singular, the said moiety of the said water Grist Mill and land and premises thereto attached as aforesd with the water Courses buildings &c as aforesaid, without any manner of let, suits, trouble, eviction disturbances or other hinderance whatsoever, of or by the said Edward Wright and Mary E his Wife, their or either of their heirs or assigns or any other person or persons, whatsoever, lawfully Claiming or to claim the same. In Witness whereof the said Edward Wright and Mary E his Wife, have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first herein written

Edward Wright
Mary Esther Wright

Essex County to wit

We Robert P Waring Jr and Richard Baylor Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Edward Wright, and Mary E Wright his wife parties to a certain deed, bearing date on the 18th day of January 1838 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged, the same to be their act and Deed, and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said Deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 18th day of January 1838

Robt P. Waring Jr
Richd Baylor

Essex County to wit

We Robert P. Waring Jr. and Richard Baylor Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Mary E Wright, the wife of Edward Wright parties to a Certain deed, bearing date on the 18th Day of January 1838 and hereunto annexed personally appeared, before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid, fully explained to her, she the said Mary E Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 18th day of January 1838.

Robt P. Waring Jr
Richd Baylor

Recd this 18th day of January 1838 of Linneus C Gatewood the Consideration expressed, in the within Indenture in full

Witness
Richd Baylor

Edward Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office April 24th 1838

This Deed was this day produced, in the Office aforesaid and with the Justices Certificates annexed, admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

1838 December 17th Recd the original Deed recorded opposite

L C Gatewood"

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	7	5		

Riding_____ _____

1 C Phaeton $50

The 1838 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Edwin Upshaw

Distance and bearing from the court House	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dollars Cents				
10 NW	6.50	600	4257.50	4.26	

On October 11, 1838, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 46/186 Edward Wright purchased from William G. and Frances A. Faver 33-2/3 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 11th day of October 1838 between William G Faver and Frances a his Wife of the one part and Edward Wright of the other part, all of the County of Essex Witnesseth that the said William G Faver and Frances A his Wife for and in consideration of the sum of Two hundred Dollars of lawful money of Virginia to them in hand paid by the said Edward Wright before the signing sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted bargained and sold & by these presents, do grant bargain sell alien, release, enfeoff and Convey unto the said Edward Wright, his heirs and assigns forever a Certain piece or parcel of land lying and being in the said County of Essex, Containing about thirty three and two third acres acres together with all the privileges and appurtenances to the same in any manner appertaining which said piece of Land, is bounded as follows - beginning at the Corner of the Land formerly owned by Humphrey Hill decd on the main road, thence to the Corner of Edward Wrights land, thence along the said Wrights land, until it comes to the Corner of Sally Gatewoods land thence to the road above mentioned thence with the road to the begining - being the same land that was Conveyed by Thomas M Henley and Wife to Motta Ball by deed bearing date the 22d day of Decr 1826 and recorded in Essex County Court Clerks Office on the 2d day of Febry 1827, and afterwards Conveyed by the said Ball and Wife to the said Faver by deed dated the 16" day of Septem: 1833 and recorded in the said Office on the same day, a plat of said land being annexed to the said Deed from Henley and Wife to Ball - all which will fully appear by reference to the

said Deeds of record as aforesaid. To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of Land Containing thirty three and two third acres as aforesaid with all the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any manner appertaining and all the estate right, title and interest of the said William G Faver and Frances A his Wife of in and to the same unto the said Edward Wright and his heirs and assigns forever, and the said Wm G. Faver for himself his heirs Exors and admors covenants unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns as follows to wit, to warrant and defend the all land hereby sold and Conveyed and the quantity thereof as specified above together with all the privileges and appurtenances to the same in any manner belonging unto the said Edward Wright and his heirs and assigns forever from and against the claims and demands of all persons and every person whatsoever; to execute and deliver to the said Edward Wright or his heirs or assigns when thereto required and free of any cost whatever, to him or them any other deed or deeds, and to do all other acts, considered necessary by Counsel for Confirming and quieting the title of him and them in and to the said Tract and parcel of Land hereby sold and Conveyed agreeably to the true intent and meaning of this Indenture; and lastly that he the said Wm G Faver is now in lawful possession of the said tract piece or parcel of Land, and seized of an indefeasible estate in fee simple therein. In Witness whereof the said Wm G. Faver and Frances A his Wife have hereunto signed their names and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

Signed, sealed, delivered and acknowledged in presence of us — William C Faver, Frances A Faver

Richd Motley)
W A Wright) as to Wm G Fower
Edmund F Noel)

11th Octo: 1838 Recd of Edward Wright the sum of Two hundred dollars the full Consideration expressed in the within Deed

Teste — William G Fower
W A Wright

Essex County To wit

We Edmund F Noel and Richard Morley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Frances A Faver the Wife of William G Faver parties to a Certain Deed bearing date on the 11th day of October 1838 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Frances A Faver acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had

willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and Seals this 11th day of October 1838.

Edmund F Noel
Richard Motley

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 21st Day of January 1839. This Deed was this day proved in open Court by the oaths of Richard Morley and W A Wright two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto as to William G Faver and ordered to be Certified and Continued for further proof as to him; and with the justices Certificate annexed as to the privy examination and acknowledgement of Frances Fower ordered to be recorded as to her

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 15 Day of July 1839. This Deed was this day further proved in open Court by the oath of Emund F Noel the other subscribing Witness thereto as to William G Faver one of the parties to the Same and ordered to be recorded as to him.

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

1839 Septr 16th Recd the original Deed recorded opposite

Test Edward Wright
J W McManhows"

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright	12	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Phaeton $50	7.08
1 Coachee $200	

The 1839 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richard Motley
Same			33⅓	Sally Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls cents				
10 West	6.50	600	4257.50	4.26	33½ Acres added
11 do	3.34		110.00	.12	purchased

This record reflects the purchase in 1838 of 33-2/3 acres of land by Essex County Deed 48/186.

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules and Colts	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
Edward Wright	14	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $100	6.48

The 1840 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description & Situation of the Land
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richd Motley
Same			33⅓	Sally Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls cts	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax whole tract of on the Land at the legal rate
10 West	7.00	850	4585.00	4.59
12 do	4.00		135.00	.14

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1840 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Edward Wright	2	30-40	1	60-70
			1	30-40
			1	20-30
			3	15-20
			1	10-15
			2	5-10
			2	0-5

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				2	55-100	1	36-55
				2	36-55	2	24-36
				3	24-36	5	10-24
				4	10-24	3	0-10

	Number of Persons in each Family Employed in					
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navi-gation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
39		8				

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and In-sane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Univer-sities or College	Number of Students	Acade-mies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that Edward Wright was born between 1800 and 1810.

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on April 3:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
April 3	Edward Wright	1	7	10

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Carriages, whether four Wheel or two wheel riding Carriages, phaetons, Stage wagons, Carryalls and Jersey wagons, and all Others with the value thereof including Harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
6	1 Coachee $100	9.55

The 1841 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richd Motley
Same			33⅓	Sally Gatewood

Distance and bearing Amount of tax from the on the Land Court house Dolls cts		Sum added to the land on account at the legal rate	Total value of the Land and Buildings of Buildings	
10 West	7.00	850	4585.00	5.74
12 do	4.00		135.00	.17

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

On July 22, 1841, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/260 Edward Wright purchased from Nancy Dunn 5 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 22nd day of July 1841 between Nancy Dunn of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the one part and Edward Wright of the County and State aforesaid of the other part, Witnesseth that the said Nancy Dunn for and in consideration of the sum of Twenty five Dollars lawful money of this Commonwealth to her in hand paid by the said Edward Wright at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) Hath bargained and sold and by these presents doth bargain and sell unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns a certain piece or parcel

of land situate lying and being in the County aforesaid supposed to contain five Acres be the same more or less and bounded as follows to wit commencing at a hickory on the road leading from Loyds to Newtown and runing with the Newtown road to a cedar in the bottom thence a straight line to a black gum in said Edward Wrights line, and from thence along said line to the begining together with all and singular the appurtenances and the revertion and revertions remainder and remainders yearly and other rents issues and proffits thereof and of every part and parcel thereof. To have and to hold the said piece or parcel of land with the tenements hereditaments and all and singular other the premises herein before mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold and every part, and parcel thereof with every of their rights members and appurtenances unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns forever, to and for the only proper use and behoof of him the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns forever; and the said Nancy Dunn for herself and her heirs the said piece or parcel of land with all and singular the premises and appurtenances before mentioned unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim of her the said Nancy Dunn or her heirs and of all and every person whatever shall will and doth warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said Nancy Dunn hath set her hand and affixed her seal this day and year above writen

Signed Sealed and acknowl-) her
edged in presence of) Nancy X Dunn
Roz Hill mark
Edwin G Andrews
Jack Dyke
Jackson Dyke

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 20th Day of September 1841 This Deed was this day produced in Court by the oath of Robert Hill one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be certified and Continued for further proof

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 15th Day of November 1841. This Deed was this day further proved by the oath of Jackson Dyke another subscribing Witness to the and again Ordered to be certified and Continued for further proof

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of January 1842. This Deed was this day further proved in Court by the oath of Edwin G Andrews another subscribing Witness to the same and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on April 22:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
Apl 22	Edward Wright	1		10

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Forte Pianoes Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
8	1					1 $150

Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $100	9.25

The 1842 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richard Motley
Same			38½	Sally Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land count	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
10 West	7.00	850	4585.00	5.74
12 do	4.00		155.00	.20

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

5 acres added conveyed to you by
Nancy Dunn and taken from her

This record reflects the purchase in 1841 of 5 acres of land by Essex County Deed 47/260.

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on May 23:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
May 23	Edward Wright	1	13	4

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks
6			1		

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	wheel Carriages & Harness with their value Number	wheel Carriages & Harness with their value Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Dollars Cents
	1					

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $100	12.91

The 1843 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richard Motley
Same			38½	Sally Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value
10 West	7.00	850	4585.00	6.88
12 do	4.00		155.00	.24

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on April 6:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
Apr 6	Edward Wright	1	14	5

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carriages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carriages and value	Gold Watches	
1 $60					1

1 $150				2	11.97½

The 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Lands as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richard Motley
Same			38½	Sally Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
10 West	7.00	850	4585.00
12 do	4.00		155.00

Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
5.74	
.19	

On August 23, 1844, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/319 Edward Wright and Mary E. Wright sold to Achilles Noel the 5 acres of land purchased from Nancy Dunn:

"An Indenture made this 23rd Day of August 1844 between Edward Wright and Mary E his wife of the first part and Achilles Noel senr of the second part; all of the County of Essex, in consideration of the sum of sixty Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said Achilles Noel senr, the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge, do by these presents grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Achilles Noel senr his heirs and assigns, a certain tract or parcel of land situate in the said County of Essex, bounded and described as follows, on the North by the Main road leading from Jones's Mill to Holts Old shop, on the West by the

land of the said Achilles Noel senr on the East and South by the lands of the said Edward Wright, being the same tract of land purchased of Nancy Dunn, as will appear by her deed to the said Edward Wright of record in the Office of the County Court of Essex & estimated to contain five acres, be the same more or less, together with all the privileges and appurtenances to the said land in any wise appertaining or belonging. To Have and to hold the above granted premises to the said Achilles Noel senr his heirs and assigns forever - And we the said Edward Wright & Mary E his wife for ourselves, Our heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant with the said Achilles Noel senr his heirs and assigns, that we are lawfully seized in fee of the before granted premises; that they are free from all incumbrances; that we have a good and perfect right to sell and convey the same to the said Achilles Noel senr his heirs and assigns as aforesaid; and that we will and our heirs executors & administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said Achilles Noel senr his heirs and assigns forever, against the lawfull claims and demands of all persons. In Testimony whereof we the said Edward Wright & Mary E his wife have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year first herein before written

Edward Wright
Mary E. Wright

Essex County to Wit

We Richard Rowzee and Edmund F Noel justices of the peace in the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Edward Wright a party to a certain Deed bearing date on the 23rd Aug 1844 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in Our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in Order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under Our hands & seals this 23rd Aug 1844

Richard Rowzee
Edmund F Noel

Essex County to Wit

We Richard Rowzee and Edmund T Noel Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary E. Wright wife of Edward Wright parties to a certain Deed, bearing date on the 23rd Aug 1844 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in Our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Mary E. Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed sealed

and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under Our hands and seals this 23rd Aug 1844

Richard Rowzee
Edmund F. Noel

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 16th Day of December 1844. This Deed was this Day provided in Court and with the Justices Certificates annexed ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Edward Wright	1	13	2	4

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $400				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
1			1	1 $100	

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				13.82½

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richd Motley
Same	"	"	33⅓	Sally Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
10 West	7.00	850	4585.00	4.59
12 do	4.00		133.33	.14

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

5 acres deducted sold & Conveyed to Achilles Noel Senr

This record reflects the sale in 1844 of 5 acres of land by Essex County Deed 48/319.

On September 25, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/12 Edward Wright joined William A. Wright as trustees under a deed of trust to sell to B. D. Pitts two parcels of land belonging to various Haile family members:

> "This Indenture, made this 25th day of September 1845 Between William A Wright and Edward Wright of the one part and B D Pitts of the other part: Whereas Judith T. Haile, Richard T Haile Maria D. Haile, John L. Haile, Robert L Haile and Bernard H Haile, in order to secure the payment of certain debts due to the said B D Pitts and Pitts & Sale, by an indenture bearing date on the 12th day of August 1841 and admitted to record in the County Court of Essex on the

16th day of August 1841 did convey to the said William A Wright and Edward Wright among other things, all their right title interest and estate to two certain tracts or parcels of land, lying in the County of Essex, particularly described in a certain deed of Trust from Richard T Haile decd and the said Judith T (then his wife) to Lewis Dix, bearing date the 22d November 1805 and duly admitted to record in the Clerks Office of Essex on the 6th Decr 1805 and which is especially referred to in the aforesaid deed from the said Judith T. Richard T. Maria D John L Robert L, and Bernard H Haile to the said Wm. A. and Edward Wright; In Trust Nevertheless, and with power and authority to the said William A Wright and Edward Wright to sell the same for the purpose of paying the said Debts and the expenses of executing the said Trust of the said Judith T Richard T Maria D. John L. Robert L and Bernard H Haile should fail to discharge the said Debts on or before the 27th day of July 1845, and whereas the said Judith T. Richard T. Maria D. John L. Robert L. and Bernard H Haile having failed to pay the said Debts agreeably to the tenor and effect of said deed and the said B D Pitts and Pitts and Sale having in consequence thereof required a sale of the said tracts and parcels of land to be made for the purpose aforesaid and the said William A. Wright and Edward Wright in execution of the said Deed of Trust (after giving thirty days notice of) the time and place of sale, and also of the terms by causing an advertisement thereof to be inserted and regularly continued in the Richmond Whig a Newspaper published in the City of Richmond and also by putting a like advertisement at the door of the Court House of Essex, both before on and after Essex Sept: Court day, did on the 24th Sept: 1845 upon the premises expose to sale, at public auction to the highest bidder for ready money the right title interest and estate of the said Judith T Richard T Maria D John L. Robert L. and Bernard H Haile in and to the said tracts and parcels of land with the improvements and appertenances And at the Sale so made the aforesaid B. D. Pitts became the purchaser by bidding therefor the sum of $1100; which was the highest bid made for the same. Now this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Wm. A Wright and Edward Wright for and in Consideration of the said sum of $1100 which has been duly settled with the said B D Pitts in the part discharge of the debts aforesaid, have granted, bargained, and sold and by these presents do grant bargain sell and convey unto the said B D Pitts his heirs and assigns, all the right title and interest and estate of the said Judith T Richard T Maria D John L Robert L and Bernard H Haile in and to the aforesaid tracts of lands improvements and appurtenances as set forth and described in the aforesaid deeds of 22 November 1805 and of 12th of August 1841. To have and To hold the said rights titles interest and estates to the said lands improvements and appurtenances, and all the estate and interest conveyed to the said William A and Edward Wright unto the said B. D. Pitts his heirs and assigns to his and their duly proper use & behoof forever. And the said William A and Edward Wright for themselves their heirs executors and administrators hereby covenant to and with the said B D Pitts his heirs and assigns that they will forever warrant and defend the said rights interests and estates in and to the said lands, improvements and appurtenances thereto belonging to the said B D Pitts his heirs and assigns,

against the claims of the said William A Wright and Edward Wright and all persons claiming the same or any part thereof, by, from, through or under them the said William A and Edward Wright but against the Claim of no other person whomsoever

In Witness Whereof the said William A Wright and Edward Wright have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals, the day and year first herein written.

All interlineations alter-)
ations and erasures made)
before executed)

W. A. Wright
Edward Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office Novembere 20th 1845

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the Office aforesaid by William A Wright the only party who has signed the same to be his act and deed and admitted to record as to him

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

Essex County Court Clerks Office Decr 15th 1845.

This Deed was this day acknowledbed before me in the Office aforesaid by Edward Wright and her Party to the same to be his act and deed, and admitted to record as to him.

Teste,
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Edward Wright	1	12	2	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $350				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
1			1	1 $150	

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				15.10½

The 1846 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richard Motley
Same	"	"	33⅓	Lineas C Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
10 South	7.00	850	4585.00	4.57
12 do	4.00		133.33	.14

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

On December 15, 1846, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/125 Edward Wright purchased from Nancy Dunn and William F. Dunn 7-3/4 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 15" day of December 1846, between Nancy Dunn and Wm F Dunn of the one part and Edward Wright of the other part all of the County of Essex and State of Virginia - Witnesseth that the said Nancy Dunn and Wm F Dunn for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Edward Wright before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have given granted bargained and sold, and by these presents do give, grant, bargain sell and convey, unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns forever, a certain piece or parcel of land on which the said Nancy Dunn and Wm F Dunn at present reside lying on the road leading from Loyds to Rexburg and adjoining the lands of the said Edward Wright and Containing Seven & 3/4 Acres be the same more or less together with all buildings and improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders rents issues and profits thereof - it being the same land which was conveyed to them by John S Rowzee and wife, and lying in the said County of Essex -
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> To have and to hold the said piece or parcel of land with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the privilege, and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders rents issues and profits thereof unto the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns forever, to and for his and their only proper use and behoof forever. And the said Nancy Dunn and Wm F Dunn for themselves, their heirs exors and admors hereby covenant to and with the said Edward Wright his heirs and assigns that they will warrant & defend the title to the said piece or parcel of land hereby conveyed with all the buildings and improvements thereon and the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders rents issues and profits thereof and of every part and parcel thereof unto the said Edwd Wright his heirs and assigns forever against the claim or claims demand or demands of all and every person and person whatsoever
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> In Witness whereof the said parties hereto of the first part have hereto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

Signed Sealed and deli-	)		her	
vered in the presence of	)	Nancy	X	Dunn
N. J. B. Whitlocke			mark	
Edwin G Andrews			his	
Columbia		Wm F	X	Dunn

her mark
Frances X Wyatt)
mark
Jno J. Wright

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 13th day of March 1847.

This Deed was this day proved in Court by the oaths of Edwin G Andrews and John J Wright two of the subscribing Witnesses to the same and Ordered to be certified and continued for further proof

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

Essex County Court Clerk's Office April 11th 1851

This Deed was this day further proved before me in my Office by the oath of N. J. B Whitlocke another subscribing Witness thereto and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk.

1858 May 29th Received the original deed recorded opposite

Edward Wright"

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Edward Wright	1	14	2	5

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches
$275				

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50
1			1	$150	

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				12.62

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richard Motley
Same	"	"	33⅓	L C Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
10 N	7.00	850.00	4583.00	4.59
12 "	4.00		133.33	.14

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	fee	655	Richard Motley
Same	"	"	33⅓	L C Gatewood
Same	"	"	7¾	Achillies Noel

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
10 W	7.00	850.00	4583.00	4.59
12 Do	4.00		133.33	.14
12 Do	5.00		38.75	.24

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

Conveyed to you by Nancy Dunn and William J Dunn

This record reflects the purchase in 1846 of 7-3/4 acres of land by Essex County Deed 50/125.

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Edward Wright	1	13	3	6

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $150				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
1			1	$75	

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				9.72

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	Fee	655	Richard Motley
Same Same	"	"	33⅓	L C Gatewood
Same Same	"	"	7¾	Achillies Noel

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
10 N	7.00	850.00	4585.00	4.59
12 "	4.00		133.33	.14
12 "	5.00		38.75	.04

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Edward Wright	1	13	2	7

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $100				

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
1			1	1 $120	

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			9.42½

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Edward Wright	Essex	Fee	655	Richard Motley
Same Same	"	"	33⅓	L C Gatewood
Same Same	"	"	7¾	Achillies Noel

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
10 W	7.00	850.00	4585.00	4.39
12 "	4.00		133.33	.14
12 "	5.00		38.75	.04

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on August 15, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Edward Wright	49	M		Farmer	7000
Emily Wright	42	F			
Ellen Wright	23	F			
Mary Wright	17	F			
Emily Wright	12	F			
Susan Wright	9	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia		.		
Virginia		.		
Virginia		.		
Virginia		.		
Virginia		1		
Virginia		1		

This record indicates that Edward Wright was born in about 1801 and the Mary Esther (Starling) Wright, mis-listed as Emily, was born in about 1808. The census taker appears to have made a mistake on the names of three of the females in this household.

On March 3, 1855, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/731 Edward Wright purchased from Achilles Noel, Sr., 4 acres of land:

> "This Deed made this third day of March in the year 1855, between Achilles Noel Sr grantor and Edward Wright Witnesseth that in Consideration of the Sum of Twenty dollars the Said Achilles Noel Senr. doth grant unto the said Edward Wright a certain piece or parcel of land it being a part of the tract of land now held by said Noel, which piece herein conveyed Supposed to Contain four acres to be the same more or less and is bounded on the west by the land of L C Gatewood on the north by the remainder of the land of said Noel from which it is taken and on the South and east by the land before held by said Wright. The said grantor hereby releases to the said grantee, and his claims upon the Said land that he will warrant generally the land hereby conveyed. Witness the following Signature & Seal
>
> Signed Sealed acknowl-) his
> edged and delivered in) Achilles X Noel Jr
> the presence of) mark
> Jno S. Rowzee
> William Watts
>
> March 3rd 1855. Recd of Edward Wright the sum of Twenty dollars in full of the consideration of the within deed
>
> Witness his
> Jno S Rowzee Achilles X Noel Jr
> mark

Essex County Court Clerk's Office April 26th 1855

This Deed with the receipt thereto annexed was this day acknowledged in the office by Achilles Noel to be his act and deed, and admitted to record

Teste
H. W. Daingerfield D.C. for
James Roy Micon Clk

1858 May 29th Received the original deed recorded opposite

Edward Wright"

On July 19, 1855, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/81 Edward Wright purchased from Achilles Noel, Sr., 50 acres of land subject to a reserved life estate:

"This Deed made the 19th day of July 1855 between Achilles Noel Senr grantor and Edward Wright Witnesseth that in Consideration of the sum of Two Hundred dollars to him in hand paid the said Noel doth grant unto the said Wright all that tract or parcel of land now held and occupied by said Noel bounded on the South and and East by the land of said Wright on the west by the land of L C Gatewood and on the north by the main road leading from the Old Battery to Holts Shop (the said Noel reserving in said lands a life Est in the dwelling House and a lot of said land supposed to contain twelve acres) Supposed to Contain Fifty acres more or less The said grantor releases to the said grantee all his Claims upon the said land that he has the right to convey the said land to be the said grantee that the grantee Shall have quiet possession of the said lands Witness the following Signatures and Seals

Signed Sealed acknowledged) Achilles Noel
& delivered in presence of)

Essex County to wit: I John J Wright a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virga. do hereby Certify that Achilles Noel Sen. a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 19th day of July 1855 and hereto annexed personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid and acknowledged the Same to be his act and deed and desired me to Certify the Said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County of Essex in order that the Said deed may be recorded Given under my hand & Seal this 26" July 1855

Jno. J Wright JP

Essex County Court Clerks Office June 15th 1857

This Deed was this day produced to me in the said Office and with the Justices Certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste
H W Daingerfield DC for
James Roy Micon Clk

1858 May 29th Received the original deed recorded opposite hereto

Edward Wright"

The birth record of Richard Wright, son of Ann and slave of Edward Wright, was dated on September 29, 1859, in Essex County, Virginia:

"Date of Birth:	Sept 29 1859
Name of Child:	Richd Wright
White:	
Colored:	
Free:	
Slave:	X
Sex:	
Male:	X
Female:	
Born:	
Alive:	X
Dead:	
Place of Birth:	
Father's Name:	Edward Wright
Father's Occupation:	
Father's Residence:	
Mother's Name:	Ann
How many at birth:	1
Informant:	Edwd. Wright
Relation of Informant:	Owner"

The birth record of Roderick Wright, son of Amelia and slave of Edward Wright, was dated on October 20, 1859, in Essex County, Virginia:

"Date of Birth:	Oct 21 1859
Name of Child:	Roderick Wright
White:	

Colored:
Free:
Slave: X
Sex:
Male: X
Female:
Born:
Alive: X
Dead:
Place of Birth:
Father's Name: Edward Wright
Father's Occupation:
Father's Residence:
Mother's Name: Amelia
How many at birth: 1
Informant: Edwd. Wright
Relation of Informant: Owner"

The birth record of William Wright, son of Betty and slave of Edward Wright, was dated on December 16, 1859, in Essex County, Virginia:

"Date of Birth: Dec 16 1859
Name of Child: William Wright
White:
Colored:
Free:
Slave: X
Sex:
Male: X
Female:
Born:
Alive: X
Dead:
Place of Birth:
Father's Name: Edward Wright
Father's Occupation:
Father's Residence:
Mother's Name: Betty
How many at birth: 1
Informant: Edwd. Wright
Relation of Informant: Owner"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on June 29, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Edward Wright	59	M		farmer	$5000
M E Wright	54	F			
M J Wright	26	F			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
$33700	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				

This record indicates that Edward Wright was born in about 1801 and that Mary Esther (Starling) Wright was born in about 1806.

On November 30, 1860, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/468 Edward Wright acted as trustee for holding title of 1 acre of land for a Protestant Episcopal Church:

> "This Deed made the 30th day of November in the year 1860 between Leonard P Sale and Dandridge Sale, Executors, heirs and devisees of Bevan D Pitts deceased, and Wm B Beverly Edward Wright, Benjamin R Baird, Wm Lawson Waring and George W Upshaw, Tustees appointed by the Circuit Court of the County of Essex, State of Virginia, at the November Term of said Court in the year eighteen hundred & sixty, Witnesseth, that in consideration of a donation intended to be made by the said Bevan D Pitts during his lifetime, of one acre of land for the purpose of erecting thereon a protestant Episcopal Church, and moreover for the farther consideration of one dollar to them in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Do grant unto the said Wm B Beverly, Edward Wright, Benjamin R Baird, Wm Lawson Waring & George W Upshaw, trustees appointed as aforesaid, & their successors to be legally appointed, all that tract of land lying on the main road leading from Loyds to Loretto in the County of Essex, and bounded on one side by the land belonging to the estate of the late Robert S Garnett deceased, and on the other two sides by the Farmers Hall plantation of the said Bevan D Pitts deceased, and which is marked by a ditch cut under the direction of the said Bevan D Pitts deceased during his lifetime, and lastly by the aforesaid main road leading from Loyds to Loretto. And on which lot the aforesaid trustees are now erecting a Protestant Episcopal Church, agreeable to the understanding had with Bevan D Pitts decd & of his intention declared to them when he made the donation of said one acre of land. The aforesaid Leonard P Sale and Dandridge Sale Executors heirs &

devisees of Bevan D Pitts deceased, do warrant generally the property hereby conveyed. Witness the following signatures and seals.

L. P. Sale
Exor: of B D Pitts
Dundridge Sale
Executor of B D Pitts

Essex County State of Virginia, to wit: I B. G. Rennolds a justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do certify that L P Sale & Dandridge Sale whose names are signed to the writing above, bearing date on the 30th day of November 1860 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 10th day of December 1860

B. G. Rennolds J.P.

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Court house in Tappahannock on the 17th day of December 1860

This Deed was this day produced in Court and with the Justices Certificate annexed ordered to be recorded.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1870 April 29th Received the original Deed recorded opposite hereto

H W Daingerfield one of the
Vestry of St Anns Parish
Essex County Virginia"

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household on July 23, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Edward Wright	68	M	W	Farmer	4,500
Benjamin P Wright	38	M	W	Physician	
Mary J Wright	36	F	W	Keeping house	
Mary E Wright	2	F	W	At home	
Robt E Wright	4/12	M	W	At home	
Lueller Allen	15	F	W	Domestic Servant	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
970	Virginia		.		
110	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		Feby		
	Virginia		.		

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	
		1	

This record indicates that Edward Wright was born in about 1802. The absence of Mary Esther (Starling) Wright from this record reflects her death on October 27, 1865, as recorded in the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Jr.

On September 19, 1872, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 52/558 Edward Wright executed a deed of trust to T. R. B. Wright on a portion of his farm known as Greenway to secure debts due to Mary J. Wright and Matilda J. Temple:

> "Whereas Edward Wright of the County of Essex State of Virginia, is justly indebted to Mary J Wright the wife of Dr B. P. Wright in the sum of Three hundred and twenty two and 87/ dollars with interest from January 1850, as one of the legatees of Henry Starling decd and also to Matilda J Temple wife of John Temple who was Matilda J Wright in the like sum with interest as one of the legatees of the said Henry Sterling decd placed in his hands for distribution as Commissioners by decree of Court as will appear by reference to the records in the Clerks Office King William Co: Ct which said amounts with interest now amount to $1594.28 still unpaid and whereas the said Wright is further more justly indebted to the said Mary J Wright and the said Matilda J Temple in the sum of $88.00 each for a horse B. D. Pitts gave to them as a present which said horse was sold by the said Edward Wright and which said amounts with interest, now amount to Three hundred and eighty five dollars and whereas the whole several amounts together with interest now amounts to Nineteen hundred and seventy nine and 28/100 dollars still unpaid. And whereas the said Edward Wright is desirous to secure more effectually the payment of the said sum of Nineteen hundred and seventy nine and 28/100 dollars - Now therefore this Deed made this 19th September 1872 between Edward Wright of the first part

T. R. B Wright Trustee of the second part and Mary J Wright and Matilda J Temple all of the State aforesaid of the third part Witnesseth that the said Edward Wright for and in consideration of the sum of five dollars to him in hand paid by the said T R B Wright before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold, and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto T R B Wright his heirs and assigns all that portion of my farm called Greenway, situated in Essex County State aforesaid included within the following boundaries as will appear from plat herewith appended to wit, commencing at point "H" a corner in the line fence dividing the said "Greenway" farm from "Clay Hill" farm now owned by Thomas Croxton thence along an imaginary line remaining along the north side of the main swamp dividing the farm to a point made by the intersection of this line with the public road leading from Shop Hill to Loyds passing the farm of John S Rouzie Sr and separating Greenway from the farm of the said Rouzie, thence along the boundary lines that divide the said "Greenway" from Dr John J Wright, Richard Motley and Thomas Croxton to the beginning, the said tract containing road and open land and including the buildings and outhouses to the amount of Three hundred acres more or less. In Trust to secure the said creditors of the said Edward Wright and the said Edward Wright doth doth covenant with the parties that he has a right to convey the said property and will warrant generally the same the said Edward Wright hereby reserves to himself the use of the said property conveyed until payment is demanded by his said creditors of the amount due thereon at which time the said T R B Wright or his representative who is hereby authorized to act shall proceed to sell the said property upon the terms and in the manner prescribed by section 6 Chapt 117 Code of Virginia and pay the said creditors as is thereby required

Given under our hands and Seals the day and year above written

Edward Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office October 4th 1872

This Deed of Trust was this day produced to me in my said Office and was acknowledged by Edward Wright, the only party who has now signed the same to be his act and deed and with the plat of land annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

[Plat]

June 1856 The above is a plat of Edward Wrights tract of land situated in the County of Essex and containing 753½ acres. The following are the boundaries, Viz; Beginning at a large red Oak A cr to Jno: R Motley and S C Gatewood and running thence S 72-1/4 W 11-4/5 po: to B: a red oak Cr to S C Gatewood thence S 58½ W 31-4/5 po: to C a red oak Cr to same thence S 60 W 12-3/5 po: to D, a stake Cr to same thence N 34½ W 76 po: 12 lks to E corner to same thence W 14 E 13-2/5 po to F a stake at the road thence along the road 126 po: to a stake cr to same thence N 42-3/4 E 47 po to H a stake Cr to same, thence N 2_ W 93 po: 11 lks to I a cedar on the road Cr to same thence along the road 292-2/5 po: to K a red oak in the fork of the road thence along the road 92 po: thence s: 50½ E 185-_/5 _ a stake a few poles north of the road Cr to Jno S Rouzee thence S 7 W ____ M _ cr to Dr Wright thence S 71½ W 54-2/5 po to N _ Cr to same ____ to O a gum Cr to sd Ma_ thence S 69½ __ 20-1/5 po a hickory stump Cr to same, thence S 71 W 126 po to the beginning

Jno D Hutch_"

The will of Edward Wright was undated, probated on September 16, 1878, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 29/721, and provided as follows:

"My Will

I give to Elleck Hickman ten Acres of land on Bullneck road corner to Croslon. The balance of my Estate I give to my Daughter Mary Jane Wright & Matilda I. Temple to be equally divided Mary Jane Wright to have the house

Edward Wright

Virginia At a Monthly Court begun and held for Esex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on Monday the 16th day of September 1878

This Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Edward Wright decd having been brought into Court was offered for proof, whereupon John Temple and Thomas R. B. Wright, having been first duly sworn deposed and said that they have frequently seen the said Edward Wright write and that they have seen much of his writing and that they verily believe that the whole of the body of the said writing and the signature thereto, are in the hand writing of the said Edward Wright decd. and the Court being satisfied with this proof the said writing was ordered to be recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said Edward Wright decd. On the motion of Benjamin P. Wright a certificate is granted him in order to his obtaining letters of administration of the personal estate of sd Edward Wright decd. With the will of said Edward Wright decd. annexed in due form of law he having first taken the oath in such case required by law and entered into a bond payable to the Commonwealth of Virginia in the penalty of sixteen hundred dollars with John Temple as his surety who in open Court, justified on oath that

his Estate after the payment of all his just debts and liabilities for others is worth the penalty of the said bond which said bond being conditioned as the law directs was acknowledged by the obligors and also ordered to be recorded

Teste

Know all men by these presents that We Benjamin P Wright and John Temple we hereby waiving the benefit of our homestead exemption us to this obligation are held firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the just and full sum of sixteen hundred dollars, to the payment whereof, well and truly to be made to the said Commonwealth we bind ourselves and each of us, and each of our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 16th day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight and in the 103rd year of the Commonwealth.

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound Benjamin P. Wright, who is this day permitted by the County Court of Essex County to qualify as the personal representative of the Estate of Edward Wright decd with the last Will and Testament of the said Edward Wright decd annexed shall faithfully discharge the duties of his said office or trust then the above obligation to be void, or else to remain in full force and virtue.

B. P. Wright
Jno Temple

In Essex County Court, September 16th 1878

This bond was executed and acknowledged in open Court by the obligors to the same, and ordered to be recorded.

Teste"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Edward Wright was a son of 1815 Edward Wright of King and Queen County and Mary (Pitts) Wright, was born on December 20, 1801, married Esther Hill Sterling, and died on June 10, 1878, and that Edward Wright and Esther Hill (Sterling) Wright had the following children:

1) Matilda Johnson (Wright) Temple,
2) Mary Esther (Wright) Wright, born in 1833, and
3) Lucy Ellen (Wright) Blakey.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Edward Wright and Mary Esther (Starling) Wright were the following:

1) Lucy Ellen (Wright) Blakey, born on November 3, 1826, in Virginia,

2) Mary Jane (Wright) Wright, born on October 19, 1833, in Virginia,

3) Robinette or Emily Wright, born on October 18, 1836, in Virginia, and

4) Matilda Johnson (Wright) Temple, born on February 21, 1841, in Essex County, Virginia.

i. Lucy Ellen (Wright) Blakey And Her Husband James Blakey

Lucy Ellen (Wright) Blakey was a daughter of 1878 Edward Wright of Essex County and Mary Esther (Starling) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1878 Edward[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Jr., a copy of which is in the possession of Mr. Richard Motley Hutchinson, Jr., of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Marriages

. . . .

Lucy E Wright was married to James H Blakey March 13th 1857

. . . .

Births

Lucy Ellen Wright daughter of Edward & Mary Esther his wife was born Nov 3rd 1826

. . . .

Deaths

Lucy Ellen Blakey wife of James A. Blakey & daughter of Edward & Mary E. Wright died July 19th 1854

. . . .

Thomas Evans Blakey died Feb 17 1915

. . . ."

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Ellen Wright in the Edward Wright household on August 15, 1850, and her age as 23 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1827.

The 1850 Census for Middlesex County, Virginia, listed James A. Blakey with the following household on September 19, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
James A Blakey	22	M		Farmer	5700

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Virginia				

This record indicates that James A. Blakey was born in about 1828.

Marriage Notices From Richmond, Virginia Newspapers, 1841-1853 listed the marriage notice for Lucy Ellen Wright and James Blakey on March 13, 1851, in Essex County, Virginia:

> "Married at Greenway, Essex Co., on the 13th inst. [Mar. 13, 1851], by the Rev. Mr. McDonald, Mr. James Blakey, of Middlesex, to Miss Lucy Ellen [Wright], dau. of Edward Wright, Esq., of Essex. RDW, Mar. 27, 8151, p. 2; RE, Mar. 28, 1851, p. 2"

The 1860 Census for Middlesex County, Virginia, listed Jas. A. Blakey with the following household on September 30, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Jas. A. Blakey	32	M		Farmer	10000
Lucy E. Blakey	20	F			
Robt. Blakey	10	M			
Thomas Blakey	7	M			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
10300	Va	1	.		
	Va	1	.		
	Va	.	1		
	Va	.	1		

This record indicates that James A. Blakey was born in about 1828.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Lucy Ellen Wright was a daughter of 1878 Edward Wright of Essex County and Mary Esther (Starling) Wright and married James Blakey and that James Blakey was of Essex County.

ii. Mary Jane (Wright) Wright, Her Husband 1907 Benjamin Pitts Wright Of Essex County, And Her Descendants

Mary Jane (Wright) Wright was a daughter of 1878 Edward Wright of Essex County and Mary Esther (Starling) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1878 Edward[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Jr., a copy of which is in the possession of Mr. Richard Motley Hutchinson, Jr., of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Marriages

. . . .

Mary Jane Wright and Benjamin P Wright were married February 18th 1864

. . . .

Mary Esther Wright the daughter of Dr Benj. P. Wright and his wife Mary Jane (nee Wright) was married on the 17th Dec. 1902 to Benj. J. Saunders the son of Wm A. Saunders and his wife Mary Elizabeth (nee Monroe)

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Mary Jane Wright daughter of Edward & Mary Esther his wife was born Oct 19th 1833

. . . .

Mary Esther Wright daughter of Benjn P Wright and Mary Jane his wife was born 4th July 1868 Died 6/22/52

Robert Edward Wright son of Benjn P. Wright and Mary Jane his wife was born the 1st day of March 1870 Died 10/4/1948

Martha Waring Wright daughter of Benjn P. Wright and Mary Jane his wife was born 2nd day July 1871 Died 8/24/1948

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Mary Jane Wright, wife of Dr. B. P. Wright, and daughter of Edward and Mary E. Wright, died Jany. 2nd 1889

. . . .

Benjiman P. Wright son of Robert Wright and Martha Warning Wright died Nov 7, 1907

. . . ."

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benj. P. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Benj P. Wright	1			

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright in the James Roy Micon household on November 6, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
James Roy Micon	43	M		Clerk of Court	6500
Ellen Micon	31	F			
Fanny Micon	16	F			
Susan Micon	9	F			
Philip Micon	7	M			
Ellen Micon	5	F			
Rosalee Micon	2	F			
Benjamin Wright	19	M		Day Clerk	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia		1		
Virginia		1		
Virginia		1		
Virginia		1		
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that Benjamin Wright was born in about 1831.

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright in the Edward Wright household on August 15, 1850, and her age as 17 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1833.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed M. J. Wright in the Edward Wright household on June 29, 1860, and her age as 26 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1834.

The Ninth Virginia Cavalry listed Benjamin Pitts Wright as a member of Company F, Essex County Dragoons, with the following information:

> "Wright, Benjamin Pitts: Enl. 6/26/61 in Co. F, b. 1832, Poplar Springs, Essex, age 29 at Enl. Physician. att. U. Va. Became surgeon with the 55th Va. Inf. Left account of his experience at Chancellorsville, incl. notes on the wounding of Jackson. Practiced in Essex Co. postwar. d 1907 Greenway, Essex. (information from Ed Haile)"

The 55th Virginia Infantry by Richard O'Sullivan stated as follows with regard to the service of Benjamin P. Wright in the Civil War:

> "Wright, Benjamin P.: Physician. Attended the U. Va. Enl. 6/26/61 in Co. F, 9th Va. Cav. Appointed Assistant Surgeon of the 55th Va. 6/25/62. Was working in Richmond in mid-8/62. returned to the regiment soon after. On leave 2-3/63. Was the first surgeon to attend Stonewall Jackson when he was MWIA at Chancellorsville 5/2/63. Absent sick early 8/64-10-11/64; otherwise present for duty on all records through 1/10/65, final roll. Practiced in Essex Co. postwar. Listed eligible for the Cross of Honor by the Wright Latane Camp of Confederate Veterans."

In her email dated July 1, 2003, Harriet Hook stated that Fort Lowry And Raiders On The Rappahannock by Carroll M. Garnett listed the following for Benjamin P. Wright:

> "Dr. Benjamin P. Wright, an Essex physician, had enlisted as private with the Essex Dragoons on June 26, 1861 but his medical profession was not to be overlooked since, on October 24, he was detailed as a hospital steward to Fort Lowry; however, this title was changed three days later to "assistant surgeon" by Col. Mallory, and he was to serve in this capacity until the Fort was abandoned (April 3, 1862)."

Index to Marriages of Old Rappahannock and Essex Counties, Virginia, 1655-1900 by Eva Eubank Wilkerson listed the marriage of Mary Jane Wright and Benjamin P. Wright on February 18, 1864, at Essex County, Virginia.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin P. Wright in the Edward Wright household on July 23, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Edward Wright	68	M	W	Farmer	4,500
Benjamin P Wright	38	M	W	Physician	
Mary J Wright	36	F	W	Keeping house	
Mary E Wright	2	F	W	At home	
Robt E Wright	4/12	M	W	At home	
Lueller Allen	15	F	W	Domestic Servant	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
970	Virginia		.		
110	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		Feby		
	Virginia		.		

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	
		1	

This record indicates that Mary Jane (Wright) Wright was born in about 1834 and that Benjamin Pitts Wright was born in about 1832.

The birth record of Martha W. Wright, daughter of B. P. and Mary J. Wright, was dated on July 2, 1871, in Essex County, Virginia:

"Date of Birth:	July 2" 1871
Name of Child:	Martha W Wright
White:	X
Colored:	
Sex:	
Male:	
Female:	X
Born:	
Alive:	X
Dead:	

Place of Birth:	Central Township
Father's Name:	B P Wright
Father's Occupation:	Physician
Father's Residence:	Central T'ship
Mother's Name:	Mary J Wright
How many at birth:	1
Deformity:	None
Informant:	Benj P Wright
Relation of Informant:	Father"

The will of Edward Wright probated on September 16, 1878, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 29/721, listed Mary Jane Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . The balance of my Estate I give to my Daughter Mary Jane Wright & Matilda I. Temple to be equally divided Mary Jane Wright to have the house . . . ."

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on June 17, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Benj P Wright	W	M	50		.
Mary J. Wright	W	F	45		Wife
Mary Esther Wright	W	F	11		Daughter
Martha W Wright	W	F	9		Daughter
Robert E Wright	W	M	10		Son

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Physician		
M		Keeping House		
.		At Home		
.		At Home		
.		At Home		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
.			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
1			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
1			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
1			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

This record indicates that Benjamin P. Wright was born in about 1830 and that Mary Jane (Wright) Wright was born in about 1835.

On January 1, 1887, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 55/157 B. P. Wright and Mary J. Wright sold to Catharine Rowzie 6 acres of land:

> "This Deed made this 1st day of January 1887 between B P Wright and Mary J his wife of the first part and Catharine Rowzie of the second part, all of the County of Essex and state of Virginia. Witnesseth that for and in Consideration of the sum of sixty dollars to them paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, they the parties of the first part doth grant bargain and sell to the party of the second part a Certain piece of land lying and being in the County of Essex adjoining the lands of Robert Long & others on the main road leading from shop hill to the "old Battery" and Containing six acres more or less. And the parties of the first part doth covenant further with the said party of the second part, that they will protect in the peaceable possession of the said land against the legal claims of all persons. Given under our hands and seals the day and year first above written
>
> B P Wright
> Mary J Wright
>
> County of Essex to wit
>
> I H W Daingerfield a Comr in Chancery of Essex Circuit Court, do Certify that B P Wright whose name is signed to the writing bearing date 1st Jany 1887 personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and do further Certify that Mary J Wright the wife of the said B P Wright whose name is also signed to the same writing personally appeared before me and being examined privily and apart from her husband and having the said writing fully explained to her she the said Mary J Wright declared that she had willingly executed the same and did not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this 1st day of January 1887.
>
> A W Daingerfield Comr

Virginia In Essex County Court Clerks office February 20" 1888

This Deed was presented and with the Certificate annexed admitted to record at 1 O'clock PM.

Teste
H. Southwarth Clk"

On December 18, 1890, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 57/98 B. P. Wright, as guardian, sold to Walter Robinson 30 acres of a farm known as Burnetts:

"Whereas Wm F. Smith on 2" June 1881 by deed recorded in the Clerk's office Essex County Court on 29 July 1881 (DB 53 page 600) conveyed to T. R. B. Wright trustee among other property one third of "Woodville" farm in said County in trust to secure B. P. Wright guardian ($1560.20) Fifteen hundred and sixty and 20/100 Dollars: and whereas the said T. R. B. Wright trustee at the request of all the parties interested in the said deed did ratify and confirm a sale of thirty acres (30) of the said Woodville farm called Burnetts and hereinafter described for one hundred and Fifty ($150.00) dollars to Walter Robinson and whereas the said Walter Robinson has paid the said one hundred and fifty ($150.00) Dollars to the said B. P. Wright gdn and whereas the said T. R. B. Wright trustee has been requested to make to the said Walter Robinson a deed for the same. Now this deed made this 18" December 1890, between T. R. B. Wright trustee of the 1" part and Walter Robinson of the second part, Witnesseth that in consideration of the said one hundred and fifty Dollars ($150.00) in hand paid by the said Walter Robinson to the said B. P. Wright gdn the receipt whereof is acknowledged by the said B. P. Wright gdn signing this deed and in consideration of Five dollars ($5) paid by the said Robinson to the said T. R. B. Wright trustee the said T. R. B. Wright trustee doth grant unto the said Walter Robinson thirty acres of the Woodville farm called Burnetts and bounded as follows Beginning on the road corner to the land of Mrs Toombs thence S 60 E 6.17 chains to B Stake on an old road, thence S 22-3/4 E. 4.51 chains to C, thence S 5-1/4 E 3.02 chains to D. thence S 8-3/4 E 4.50 chains to E Corner to Catesby Lewis, thence N. 84 W 60 chains to F, thence S 1-1/4 E. 3.09 chains to G, thence S 5 E. 5.56 chains to H. a stake in middle of branch, thence S 80-3/4 W. to I a stake in the road, thence along the middle of the road to the beginning.

T. R. B. Wright, trustee
B. P. Wright Gdn.

State of Virginia County of Essex, to wit:

I, John H. Kidd a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that B. P. Wright whose name is signed to the writing hereto

annexed bearing date the 18" Dec, 1890, has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 17" April 1893.

J. H. Kidd J.P.

Essex County to wit

I, J. H. Kidd a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that T. R. B. Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date on the 18" day of December 1890, acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 17" day of April 1893.

J. H. Kidd J.P.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office April 17" 1893 This deed was presented and with the Certificates annexed admitted to record at 9 O'clock A.M.

Testee:
H. Southworth Clerk"

On January 1, 1891, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 57/247 B. P. Wright, as guardian, sold to Walter Robinson 80 acres of land part of Burnetts farm:

"An Agreement entered into this 1" January 1891, between B. P. Wright of the first part and Walter Robinson of the second part all of the County of Essex State of Virginia. Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of four hundred dollars to be paid by the said Walter Robinson to the said B. P. Wright in four annual instalments, beginning the 1" Jany 1891, all of which to carry interest from the 1" Jany 1891, the said B. P. Wright agrees to sell to the said Walter Robinson eighty acres of land being a part of the tract called Burnetts and adjoining the lands of the said Walter Robinson & others. Given under our hands this day and year first above written.

B. P. Wright
Walter Robinson

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office December 13" 1893

This paper was this day acknowledged before me in my said office by B. P. Wright whose name is signed thereto and admitted to record, as to him, at 12 oclock M.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on June 21, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		191	191	Benjamin Wright
				Mary E Wright
				Milton Golden
				Robert Bayrham

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	Nov	1831	68	Wd
Daughter	W	F	July	1868	31	S
Boarder	W	M	Dec	1878	21	S
Servant	B	M	Oct	1883	16	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	
			.	.	
			Student	0	
			Servant	0	

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	O	F	F	191
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
no	no	yes				

This record indicates that Benjamin Pitts Wright was born in November 1831.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Benjamin P. Wright was a son of 1836 Robert Wright and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright, was born in 1831, and married Mary Jane Wright in 1864, that Mary Esther or Jane Wright was a daughter of 1878 Edward Wright of Essex County and Mary Esther (Sterling) Wright, was born in 1833, married Dr. Benjamin P. Wright on February 18, 1864, and that Mary Esther or Jane (Wright) Wright and Benjamin P. Wright had the following children:

1) Mary Esther (Wright) Saunders, born in 1868,
2) Robert Edward Wright, born in 1870, and
3) Martha Waring (Wright) Blakey, born in 1871.

iii. Robinette Or Emily Wright

Robinette Emily Wright was a daughter of 1878 Edward Wright of Essex County and Mary Esther (Starling) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1878 Edward[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Jr., a copy of which is in the possession of Mr. Richard Motley Hutchinson, Jr., of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Robinett Wright daughter of Edward & Mary Esther his wife was born Oct 18th 1836

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Robinette Wright daughter of Edward & Mary E. Wright died July 18th 1854

. . . ."

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Emily Wright in the Edward Wright household on August 15, 1850, and her age as 12 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1838. This may have been Robinette Wright of the Family Bible listing. The dates of birth are approximately the same and no Emily was listed in the Family Bible as a child. The census taker appears to have made a mistake on the names of three of the females in this household.

iv. Matilda Johnson (Wright) Temple, Her Husband John Temple, And Her Descendants

Matilda Johnson (Wright) Temple was a daughter of 1878 Edward Wright of Essex County and Mary Esther (Starling) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1878 Edward[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Jr., a copy of which is in the possession of Mr. Richard Motley Hutchinson, Jr., of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Matilda J Wright daughter of Edward & Mary E Wright was born February 21st 1841
Mary Jane Temple daughter of John & Matilda J. his wife was born 19th October 1859
Janet Grey Temple daughter of John & Matilda J. his wife was born 27th February 1861
John Temple son of John & Matilda J. his wife was born 5th May 1862
William Latane Temple son of John Temple and Matilda J. his wife was born 3 Jany 1866
Edward Arthur Temple son of John Temple and Matilda J. his wife was born 5th September 1867

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .
Matilda J. Temple wife of John Temple died June 1907

. . . .
Edward Arther Temple son of John and Matilda his wife died Jan, 1924

. . . .
Janett Grey Wilson (Temple) Jan. 12, 1932
John Temple Jr. Mch 30 1932
John Temple Sr. Aug 25, 1904"

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Susan Wright in the Edward Wright household on August 15, 1850, and her age as 9 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1841. This may have been Matilda Jane Wright. The dates of birth are approximately the same and no Susan Wright was listed as a daughter in the Family Bible. The census taker appears to have made a mistake on the names of three of the females in this household.

The marriage record of Matilda J. Wright and John Temple was dated on November 30, 1858, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Date: November 30, 1858
Place: Essex
Husb's Name: John Temple
Wife's Name: Matilda J Wright
Husb's Age: 24
Wife's Age: 17
Husb's Cond: Single

Husb's Age: 24
Wife's Age: 17
Husb's Cond: Single
Wife's Cond: Single
Husb Born: Essex
Wife Born: Essex
Husb's Res: King & Queen
Wife's Res: Essex
Husb's Parents: Arthur Temple & Jane Richards
Wife's Parents: Edward Wright & Mary E Starling
Husb's Occupation: Farmer
Minister: H. W. L. Temple"

The 1860 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed John Temple with the following household on June 20, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John Temple	25	M		Farmer	6000
Matilda J Temple	19	F			
Mary J Temple	9/12	F			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
19921	Va				
	Va				
	Va				

This record indicates that Matilda Johnson (Wright) Temple was born in about 1841 and that John Temple was born in about 1835.

The 1870 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed John Temple with the following household on July 21, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John Temple	36	M	W	Teaches school	
Matilda J Temple	28	F	W	Keeping house	
Mary J Temple	10	F	W	Attending school	
Jennie J Temple	9	F	W	.	
John Temple	8	M	W	.	
William L Temple	4	M	W	.	
Edward Temple	2	M	S	.	
Phoebe White	14	F	B	Domestic Servant	
Susan Holmes	46	F	M	Domestic Servant	
Jane Holmes	16	F	M	At home	
Judith Morris	23	F	M	works on farm	
Mildred Morris	8	F	B	.	
Bernard Morris	2	M	B	.	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1000	Virginia				.
	Virginia				.
	Virginia				.
	Virginia				.
	Virginia				.
	Virginia				.
	Virginia				.
	Virginia				1
	Virginia				1
	Virginia				1
	Virginia				1
	Virginia				.
	Virginia				.

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Matilda Johnson (Wright) Temple was born in about 1842 and that John Temple was born in about 1834.

The will of Edward Wright probated on September 16, 1878, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 29/721, listed Matilda J. Temple as one of his children:

> ". . . .The balance of my Estate I give to my Daughter Mary Jane Wright & Matilda I. Temple to be equally divided Mary Jane Wright to have the house . . . ."

The 1880 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed John Temple with the following household on June 17, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
John Temple	W	M	45	.	.
Maltilda Temple	W	F	37	.	Wife
Minnie Temple	W	F	20	.	Daughter
Janet Temple	W	F	19	.	Daughter
John Temple	W	M	18	.	Son
William Temple	W	M	13	.	Son
Edward Temple	W	M	11	.	Son
Temple White	B	M	36	.	Servant
Fannie White	B	F	25	.	Servant
Maria White	F	F	10	.	Servant
John White	B	M	4	Dec	.
George White	B	M	3/10	Mar	.
John Hundley	B	M	22	.	.

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unem-ployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Farmer		
M		Keeping house		
S		.		
S		.		
S		At School		
.		At School		
.		At School		
M		Laborer		
M		Laborer		
.		Laborer		
.		.		
.		.		
S		Laborer		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that Matilda Johnson (Wright) Temple was born in about 1843 and that John Temple was born in about 1835.

The 1900 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed John Temple with the following household on June 26, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		267	267	John Temple Matilda J. Temple Sallie Garlick

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	Nov	1835	64	M
Wife	W	F	Feb	1841	59	M
Servant	B	F	July	1883	16	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
41	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
41	5	4	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	
			.	.	
			.	.	

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	O	F	O	263
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				

This record indicates that Matilda Johnson (Wright) Temple was born in February 1841 and that John Temple was born in November 1835.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Matilda Johnson Wright was a daughter of 1878 Edward Wright of Essex County and Mary Esther (Sterling) Wright and married John Temple in 1858 and that Matilda Johnson (Wright) Temple and John Temple had the following children:

1) Mary Latane (Temple) Varn,
2) Janette (Temple) Wilson,
3) John Temple, and
4) Edward Arthur Temple.

g. 1855 David Pitts Wright, His Wife Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright, And His Descendants

1855 David Pitts Wright was a son of 1815 Edward Wright of King and Queen County and Mary J. "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

"Family Record

Marriages

. . . .

David P. Wright and Mary Emily his wife was married on the 4th of August 1824

. . . .

Births

. . . .

David P. Wright son of Edward & Polley Wright was born 1st April 1804-

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Mary Lucinda Wright daughter of David P Wright and Mary E his wife was born 26th of June 1825--
David A Wright son of David P Wright & Marty E his wife was born 11th day of Feby. 1827--
Sarah Ann Wright daughter of David P. Wright was born on the 21th of Novr. 1828
Thomas Edward Wright son of David P Wright was born 2nd of Decr. 1830.
John Randolph Wright was born on the 28th day of January 1833.--
William Dandridge Wright was born on the 17th day of July 1834
Charles Zebulon Wright son of David P Wright was born Octr. 25th 1835

Deaths

. . . .

Mary E. Wright wife of David P. Wright died on the 1st. of April 1855
David P. Wright died on the 14th. of May 1855.
David A. Wright son of David P. Wright, died 26 April 1858

. . . .

Thomas E. Wright son of David P. Wright, died ___ May 1859

. . . ."

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of William A. Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 20647, which provided as follows:

"Family Record

. . . .

Edward Wright (an only child of William Wright) was married to Polly J. Pitts (a daughter of David Pitts) on the 28th of Octo: 1789-Polly J died on the 23rd. March 1808: and Edward died on the 25th. Sept. 1815. Their children were,

. . . .

7th. David P. born 1st April 1804

. . . .

David P. the 7th. child, was married on 4th. August 1824 to Mary E. Pitts, daughter of Maj. Thomas Pitts, who was a cousin of the mother of said David P. His private register may be consulted, for the births, deaths etc in his own family- . . . .

The foregoing is taken from the family record to be found in the old family Bible in the charge of D. P. Wright, and is intended to be sealed to, and made part and parcel of my own immediate family record-Done this 2nd. Sept. 1854

W. A Wright

My mother who was Mary Pitts a daughter of David Pitts, was born on the 18 December 1789, as I find by reference to an old family record, lately submitted to my inspection. I cannot ascertain the precise date of the birth of my Father Edward Wright, but, from the best information I can now obtain, he was nearly of the same age of my mother, perhaps one year of so older

W. A. Wright
1st June 1856"

The marriage record of David P. Wright and Mary E. Pitts was dated on August 2, 1824, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Know All Men By These Presents, That We David P Wright, & Benjamin F Pitts are held and firmly bound unto his excellency James Pleasants Jr Governor or Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, for the time being and to his successors in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to the payment whereof well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs, Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents, Sealed with our Seals and Dated this 2d day of August 1824 and in the 49th Year of the Commonwealth.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound David P. Wright (Bachelor) and Miss Mary E Pitts

Now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed Sealed and deli-	)	D P Wright
vered in presence of	)	Benj F Pitts
T. M. Crittenden Jr."		

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 1, 1825:

Date of receiving lists from Individuals	Persons names chargeable with tax	Number of white tithes	Slaves above sixteen years old	Slaves between 12 & 16 years old	Horses mares mules & Colts	Stud Horses
Ap 1	David P Wright	1	4		2	

Two wheel riding and pleasure carriages Four wheel riding and pleasure carriages Stage waggons Surry waggons & Carrialls belonging thereto	Amount of tax	Proof
1 Two wheel riding carriage & harness $100	3.12	

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David Wright with the following household on April 1, 1826:

Date of receiving lists from Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with tax	No of white tithes	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves between 12 & 16 years old	Horses Mares Mules & Colts	Stud Horses
Apl 1	David Wright	1	4	1	3	

Two wheel riding and pleasure carriages Four wheel riding and pleasure Carriages Stage Waggons Jersey Waggons & Carry-alls & Harness belonging thereto	Amot of tax	Proof
One 2 wheel riding Carriage $100	3.71	

The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 16, 1827:

Date of receiving List from Individuals	Persons Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No Dols Cts	Two wheeled riding carriages & harness Not ex-ceeding in value 100$	Above the value of 100$
Apl 16	David P. Wright	5	3		1 $100	

Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Riding Carriages and Harness			
Not exceeding in value 200$	Above the value of 200$	Not exceeding in value 300$	Above the value of 300$	Amount of tax	Proof
				3.71	

The 1827 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee simple for Life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land
David P. Wright	K&Q	In fee	60	William H Hutchison

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including Buildlings	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of Land & Buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents per per hundred dollar value	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 Miles NW	4.50		271.50	.22	

This record reflects either the acquisition of 60 acres of land by David P. Wright. The deed and other records of King & Queen County were destroyed by courthouse fires in 1825 and 1861 and therefore, the source of this land acquisition is uncertain.

On December 4, 1827, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 42/366 David P. Wright purchased from William A. and Charlotte Wright 170 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this fourth day of December in the year One thousand eight hundred and twenty seven between William A Wright and Charlotte his wife of the County of Essex of the one part and David P Wright of the County of King & Queen of the other part; Witnesseth that the said William A Wright and Charlotte his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of Five hundred and fifty dollars to them in hand paid by the said David P Wright, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened and conveyed, and by these presents do grant bargain, sell alien, convey and confirm unto the said David P Wright a certain tract or parcel of land, containing one hundred and seventy acres be the same more or less, situated partly in the County of Essex and partly in the County of King & Queen, being a part of that tract of which the late Richard & Rebecca Barnes died seized and which was allotted to Charlotte

Barnes (now the wife of the said William A Wright) in the division of said tract and designated as Lot No 6 all of which will more fully appear by reference to the said division and the report of Commissioners filed in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex in a Chancery suit Barnes &c vs Gooch & wife. To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land, together with all the appurtenances thereto belonging to him the said David P. Wright his heirs and assigns, to the only proper use and behoof of him the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns forever. And the said William A Wright and Charlotte his wife, for themselves their heirs executors and administrators, do hereby covenant and agree to and with the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns, that they the said William A Wright and Charlotte his wife and their heirs, the said tract or parcel of land with its appurtenances, unto him the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns, against them the said William A Wright and Charlotte his wife and their heirs, and against all persons whomsoever shall and will by these presents forever warrant and defend. In Witness whereof, we, the said William and Charlotte his wife, have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals the day and year above written.

W. A. Wright
Charlotte Wright

Tappahannock 22nd December 1827. Recd of David P Wright the sum of Five hundred and fifty dollars in full of the consideration mentioned in the within Deed.

W. A. Wright

Essex County to wit - We Austin Brockenbrough and Richard Croxton Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid, in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Charlotte Wright the wife of William A Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 4th day of December 1827 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Charlotte Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and delclared, that she willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 4th day of December 1827

Austin Brockenbrough
Richd Croxton

Essex County to wit - We Austin Brockenbrough and Richard Croxton Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that William A Wright and Charlotte his wife parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 4th day of December 1827 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, and desired us

to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex, in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 4th day of December 182.

Austin Brockenbrough
Richd Croxton

Essex County Court Office 22nd December 1827

This Deed was this day produced in the said Office, and together with the Justices certificates annexed admitted to record.

Teste,
Zach M: Crittenden D.C.
for, William B. Matthews Clk

1829 May 18th Received of the Clerk of Essex County Court the original Deed recorded opposite hereto

D P Wright"

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on March 18, 1828:

Date of receiving List from Individuals	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No Dols Cts	Two wheeled riding carriages & Harness Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100
Mar 18th	David P Wright	6	3		1 $100	

Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness Not exceeding in value 200$	Above the value of 200$	Riding Carriages and Harness Not exceeding in value 300$	Above the value of 300$	Amount of tax	Proof
				4.18	

The 1828 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For Life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land
David P Wright	Kg & Qn	In fee	60	Ditto [Wm H Hitchison]

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols Cts	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings Dols Cents	Total value of the land & Buildings Dols Cents	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents for $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.53		271.80	.22	

The 1828 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright			170	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land & Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
ditto	4.00		680.00	.54	Conveyed to you by William A Wright and Wife

This record reflects the purchase in 1827 of 170 acres of land by Essex County Deed 42/366.

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on March 30, 1829:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons names chargeable with tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No Dols Cts	Two wheeled riding carriages & harness Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100
Mar 30th	David P Wright	7	3		1	$50

Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Riding Carriages and Harness			
Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding in value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
				3.60	

The 1829 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	In fee	60	Ditto [William H Hitchason]

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols Cts	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings Dols Cents	Total value of the land & buildings Dols Cents	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents per $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.53		271.80	.22	

The 1829 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	Essex	fee	170	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
11 NW	4.00		680.00	.54	

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on February 10, 1830:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons Names chargeable with tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses No Dols Cts	Two wheeled riding Carriages & Harness Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100
Feby 10th	David P Wright	8	3		1	$75

Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Riding Carriages and Harness Not exceeding in value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
				3.79	

The 1830 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	In fee	60	Ditto [William H Hutchason]

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols Cts	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings Dols Cents	Total value of the land & buildings Dols Cents	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents per $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.53		271.80	.22	

The 1830 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	170	Wm A. Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
11 NW	4.00		680.00	.54	

The 1830 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
David P. Wright	1	20-30	2	20-30
	1	0-5	2	0-5

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
2	24-36	2	24-36				
3	10-24	1	10-24				
2	0-10	2	0-10				

	White Persons included in the foregoing				
Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
18					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing			
Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

This record indicates that David Pitts Wright was born between 1800 and 1810.

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on March 10, 1831:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses No Dols Cts	Two wheeled riding Carriages & Harness Not ex-ceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100
Mar 10th	David P Wright	7	4		1	$75

Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Riding Carriages and Harness			
Not ex-ceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not ex-ceeding in value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
				2.74	

The 1831 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	In fee	60	Ditto [William H Hutchason]

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols Cts	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings Dols Cents	Total value of the land & buildings Dols Cents	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents per $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.53		271.80	.22	

The 1831 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	Kg & Qn	fee	170	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
11 NW	4.00		680.00	.54	

The 1831 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed David P. Wright, as trustee for John Graves, with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright Trustee for John Graves	Essex	fee	12¼	Lineas C Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
12 west	4.00		49.00	.04	Conveyed to you by the Exrs of Philip P. Gatewood decd

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on February 8, 1832:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses No Dols Cts	Two wheeled riding Carriages & Harness Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100
Feb 8th	David P Wright	8	5		1	$75

Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Riding Carriages and Harness Not exceeding in value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
				3.05	

The 1832 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the Land
David P Wright		In fee	60	Ditto [Wm H Hutchason]

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land pr acre including buildings Dols Cts	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings Dols Cents	Total value of the land & buildings Dols Cents	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents per $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.50		271.80	.22	

The 1832 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	170	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
11 NW	4.00		680.00	.54	

The 1832 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed David P. Wright, as trustee for John Graves, with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright Trustee for John Graves			12¼	Lineas C Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
12 west	4.00		49.00	.04	

On July 19, 1832, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 44/178 David P. Wright purchased from Arthur L. and Mary C. Barnes 120 acres of land:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 19" day of July 1832 between Arthur L Barnes and Mary C his wife of the County of Essex of the one part and David P Wright of the County of King and Queen of the other part - Witnesseth that the said Arthur L Barnes and Mary C his wife in Consideration of Five hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said David P Wright at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) have bargained and sold and by these presents do and each of them doth bargain & sell unto the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns a Certain Tract or parcel of land Called and Known by the name of part of the Indian neck tract Containing One hundred and twenty acres and being the same land that said Barnes inherited from his father Richard Barnes together with all the appurtenances whatsoever to the said land belonging or appertaining or with the same used and enjoyed or accepted reputed taken or Known as part parcel or member thereof or as belonging to the same or any part thereof, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders yearly and other rents issues and profits thereof and of every part and parcel thereof To have and to hold the said land with the tenements hereditaments and all and singular other the premises herein before mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold and every part and parcel thereof with every of their rights members and appurtenances unto the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns forever to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns forever - And the said Arthur L Barnes and Mary C his wife for themselves and their heirs the said land with all and singular the premises and appurtenances before mentioned and the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns free from the Claim or claims of them the said Arthur L Barnes and Mary C his wife or either of them their or either of their heirs and of all and every person or persons whatsoever shall will and do warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said Arthur L Barnes and Mary C his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written

Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of) A. L. Barnes
) Mary C Barnes
W A Wright as to ALB
Ro G Hail as to Do

R. L. Pitts as to Do
Jno L Rowzee as to Do
Chas. Bray as to Do

Essex County to wit:

We Richard Croxton & Thos Gordon Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Mary Barnes the wife of Arthur L Barnes parties to a Certain deed bearing date on the 19" day of July 1832 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Mary Barnes acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivereed the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 30" day of March 1833.

Richd Croxton
Thos. C Gordon

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 30", 1833

This Deed was proved before me in the Office aforesaid by the oaths of W A Wright, R L Pitts and Jno S Rowzee three of the subscribing witnesses to the same as to A L Barnes and with the Justices Certificate annexed admitted to record.

N. J. B. Whitlocke DC
for James Roy Micon Jr Clk

1833 Aug 19" Recd the Origl. deed recorded opposite

Witness D. P Wright
B B Whitlocke"

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on March 11, 1833:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses No Dols Cts	Two wheeled riding carriages & harness Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100
Mar 11th	David P Wright	9	5		2	$50

Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Riding Carriages and harness			
Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding in Value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
				3.55	

The 1833 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the Land
David P Wright	King & Q	In fee	60	William H Hutchinson

	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax at the rate of 8 cents per $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.50		271.80	.22	

The 1833 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	170	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
11 NW	4.00		680.00	.54	

The 1833 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed David P. Wright, as trustee for John Graves, with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright Trustee for John Graves			12¼	Lineas C Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
12 West	4.00		49.00	.04	

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on February 25, 1834:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons names dhargeable with tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses	Two wheeled riding Carriages and harness Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100
Feby 25th	David P Wright	9	5		2	$50

Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Riding Carriages and harness Not exceeding in Value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
				3.55	

The 1834 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the Land
David T Wright	King & Q	In fee	60	William H Hutchinson

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land pr acre including buildings	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Amt of tax at the rate of 8 cents per $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.50		271.80	.22	

The 1834 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	308¾	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
11 NW	4.00		1235.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
.99	149¼ acres Conveyed by A L Barnes & W A Wright & 10% deducted Conveyed to William A Wright

This record reflects the purchase in 1832 of 120 or 138-3/4 acres of land by Essex County Deed 44/178.

The 1834 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed David P. Wright, as trustee, with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright Trustee &c	Essex		12¼	L C Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls	Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls	Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls	Cents
12 West	4.00				49.00	

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
	.04	

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 22, 1835:

	Persons names chargeable with tax	Slaves above the age of 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Nos. Dls Cts
Apl 22	David P Wright	11	4	

Two wheeled riding Carriages and harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Riding Carriages and Harness			
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding in Value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
2 $50 & $40						3.99	

The 1835 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the Land
David P Wright	Kg & Q	In fee	60	Wm H Hutchinson

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land pr acre including buildings	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents per $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanations of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.53		271.80	.22	

The 1835 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	Kg & Qn	fee	308¾	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
11 NW	4.00		1235.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of Eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.99	

The 1835 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed David P. Wright, as trustee for J. Graves, with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright trustee for J Graves	Essex	fee	12¼	Lineas C Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
12 West	4.00		49.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of Eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.04	

On January 5, 1836, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/88 David P. Wright, as Trustee for John and Alfray Graves, sold to Edwin Upshaw 12 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 5" day of January one thousand eight hundred and thirty six between David P Wright, John Graves and Afray his wife of the first part and Edwin Upshaw of the second part. Whereas John Clarkson exor of Philip P Gatewood and Frances Gatewood widow of the said Philip P Gatewood did on the 1st day of Dec. 1830 convey to the said David P Wright Trustee for the said John Graves and Afrey his wife a certain tract and parcel of land situated in the County of Essex as will fully appear by reference to their deed duly recorded in the Clerks Office of the said County of Essex on the 30" day of Nov. 1830 and whereas the said John Graves and Afrey his wife have desired requested and required the said David P Wright Trustee as aforesaid to sell the said tract of land which is testified by their becoming parties hereto and their signing sealing and delivering these presents

This Indenture therefore Witnesseth that the said David P Wright Trustee, as aforesaid and the said John Graves and Afray his wife as well for and in consideration of the premises aforesaid as the further consideration of the sum of Twenty five dollars to them in hand paid by the said Edwin Upshaw the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain sell and Convey unto the said Edwin Upshaw his heirs and assigns forever the said tract and parcel of land situate in the said County of

Essex and Containing by survey Twelve acres one rood and 20 poles being bounded on the North by L C Gatewood on the west by the lands of the said Philip P Gatewood decd. and on the South and east by the lands of the said Edwin Upshaw. To have and to hold the said Tract of land with its appurtenances unto the said Edwin Upshaw and his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of the said David P Wright his heirs executors and administrators forever. In Testimony whereof we the parties have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals the day and year first herein written.

D. P. Wright
his
John X Graves
mark
her
Afray X Graves
mark

1836 We John Graves and Afray Graves do hereby acknowledge that we have received of David P. Wright the sum of Twenty five dollars the Consideration of the land herein Conveyed and do hereby acquit and forever discharge him and his heirs of the same

Witness
W Lewis

his
John X Graves
mark
her
Afray X Graves
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Essex County to wit

We W Lewis and Edward Wright Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that David P Wright, John Graves & Afray his wife parties to a certain deed bearing date on the __ date of 1836 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be their act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 5" day of January 1836

W Lewis
Edward Wright

Essex County to wit:

We W Lewis & Edward Wright Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Afray Graves the wife of John Graves a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 5" day of January 1836 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Afray Graves acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed & delivered the same and that she had no wish to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 5" day of January 1836

W Lewis
Edward Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office February 16" 1836

This deed was produced in the Office aforesaid and with the Justices Certirficates annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 11, 1836:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses No. Dis Cts
Apl 11	David P Wright	10	5	

Two wheeled riding Carriages & Harness		Phaetons & Stage Waggons & Harness		Riding Carriages and Harness			
Not exceeding in value 100$	above the value of 100$	Not exceeding in value 200$	above the value of 200$	Not exceeding in Value 300$	Above the value of 300$	Amount of tax	Proof
1 $40						3.30	

The 1836 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the Land
David P Wright	Kg & Q	In fee	60	William Hutchinson

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land pr acre including buildings	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents per $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanations of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.50		271.80	.22	

The 1836 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	308¾	W A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
11 NW	4.00		1235.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.99	

The 1836 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed David P. Wright, as trustee, with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright Trustee &c	Essex	fee	12¼	L C. Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls	Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls	Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls	Cents
12 west	4.00				49.00	

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
	.04	

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 13, 1837:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses
Apl 13	David P Wright	9	5	

Two wheeled riding Carriages & Harness		Phaetons & Stage Waggons & Harness		Riding Carriages and Harness			
Not exceeding in value 100$	above the value of 100$	Not exceeding in value 200$	above the value of 200$	Not exceeding in Value 300$	Above the value of 300$	Amount of tax	Proof
1 $50					1 $450	7.55	

The 1837 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land
David P. Wright	Kg & Q	In fee	60	William H Hutchinson

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanations and alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.50		271.80	.22	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	308¾	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
11 NW	4.00		1235.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
.99	

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 27, 1838:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No. dols Cents
Apl 27th	David P Wright	8	6	

Two wheeled riding carriages & harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons & harness		Riding Carriages and Harness			
Not exceeding in val $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding in value $300	above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
1 $50					1 $400	7.38	

The 1838 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land
David P. Wright	King & Q	In fee	60	William H Hutchinson

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total val of the land & buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of 10 cents per $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanations and Alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.50		271.80		.27	

The 1838 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	308¾		Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the court House	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dollars Cents				
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.24	

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 20, 1839:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No. Dols Cents
Apl 20th	David P Wright	8	4	

Two wheeled riding carriages and harness		Phaetons and Stage waggons and harness		Riding Carriages and Harness			
Not exceeding in val $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding in value $300	above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
1 $40					1 $400	7.22	

The 1839 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For life &c	Number of acres	Description of the Land
David P. Wright	King & Q	In fee	60	William H Hutchinson

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of Land pr acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land & buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of 10 cents per $100 val Dolls Cents	Explanations of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.50		271.80	.27	

The 1839 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	308¾	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls cents				
11 North	4.00		1235.00	1.24	

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 15, 1840:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons names chargeable with tax	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No. Dols Cents
Apl 15th	David P Wright	8	4	

Two wheeled riding carriages and harness		Phaetons and Stage waggons and harness		Riding Carriages and Harness			
Not exceeding in val $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding in value $300	above the value of $300	Amount of tax	Proof
1 $40					1 $375	6.97	

The 1840 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of acres	Description or Situation of the Land
David P. Wright	King & Queen	In fee	60	Wm H Hutchinson Estate

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total val of the land and buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of 10 cents per $100 val Dolls Cents	Explanations of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	4.00		240.00	.24	

The 1840 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description & Situation of the Land
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	308¼	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls cts	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax whole tract of on the Land at the legal rate
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.24

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1840 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
David P Wright	1	30-40	1	30-40
	1	10-15	2	10-15
	3	5-10		
	1	0-5		

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				2	24-36	1	36-55
				4	10-24	2	24-36
				4	0-10	2	10-24
						4	0-10

Number of Persons in each Family Employed in						
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navi-gation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
28		17				

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and In-sane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Univer-sities or College	Number of Students	Acade-mies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age
in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that David Pitts Wright was born between 1800 and 1810.

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 3, 1841:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons Names chargeable with tax	No of white Males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old	Horses Mares Colts & Mules
Apl 3d	David P Wright	1	11	8	5

Carriages whether four wheel or two wheel riding carriages, Phaetons Stage waggons, Carryalls and Jersey waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of tax	Proof
1 Gig val $30 and 1 Carriage val $350	9.90	

The 1841 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description or Situation of the Land
David P. Wright	Kg & Q	In fee	60	Wm H Hutchinson Estate

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom Transferred
25 miles NW	4.00		240.00	.30	

The 1841 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
David P Wright	Kg & Qn	fee	308¼	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house		Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax on the Land at the legal rate
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.55

On February 7, 1842, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/279 David P. Wright purchased from Richard H. Pitts 200 acres of land:

"This Indenture made and entered into this the 7th day of February 1842 between Richard H Pitts of the City of Saint Louis in the State of Missouri of the one part and David P Wright of the County of King & Queen and State of Virginia of the other part; Witnesseth that the said Richard H Pitts for and in consideration of the sum of twenty five hundred and ten Dollars lawful money in the Commonwealth of Virginia to him the said Richard H Pitts in hand paid by the said David P Wright before the ensealing and delivery of these presence the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged has bargained and sold and by these presence doth bargain and sell unto the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns the tract of land on which the late Thomas Pitts resided called and known by the name of the Pittsville tract which said tract was devised to the said Richard H Pitts by the Will of the said Thomas Pitts decd situated in the upper end of Essex County containing by estimation about two hundred acres be the actual quantity more or less and bounded by the lands of Robert P Taylor the Elm Wood Estate Louis Rennolds and by the main road leading from Vanters Church to the Eagles Nest together with all and singular the appurtenances to the said tract of land belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders yearly and other rents issues and profits thereof and of every part and parcel thereof. To have and to hold the said Tract of land with the tenements hereditaments and all and singular others the premises herein before mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold and every part and parcel thereof with every of the rights members and appertenances unto the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Richard H. Pitts for himself and his heirs the said tract of land with all and singular the premises and appurtenances before mentioned unto the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of him the said Richard H Pitts and his heirs and of all and every person or persons whatsoever shall will and do warrant and forever defend by these

presence. In testimony whereof the said Richard H Pitts has hereunto set his hand and Seal the day and year first before written

Richard H Pitts

Essex County to Wit

We H: W Latane & W. Lewis Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Richard H Pitts a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 7th day of February 1842 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his Act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded Given under our hands and seals this 8th day of February 1842.

H: W: Latane
W: Lewis

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 21st Day of February 1842

This Deed was this day produced in Court with the Justices certificate annexed and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on March 15, 1842:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons Names chargeable with tax	No of white Males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules
Mar 15th	David P Wright	1	13	10	5

Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Brass or other Watches Clocks	Pianos and their Value	Silver plate and the Value
1				

Carriages whether four wheel or two wheel riding carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons Carryalls and Jersey waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of tax	Proof
1 Gig at $30 & 1 four wheel riding carriage at $300	10.32½	

The 1842 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains, and Contiguous tracts
David P. Wright	King & Qu	In fee	60	Elizabeth Hutchason

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
25 miles NW	4.00		240.00	.30	

The 1842 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
David P Wright	Kg & Qn	fee	308¼	Wm A Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land count	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.55

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on June 20, 1843:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons Names chargeable with tax	No of white Males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old	Horses Mules Mares & Colts
June 20th	David P Wright	1	13	10	5

Gold Watches	Silver Lever and Lepine Watches	Plane(?) silver and other watches	Brass Clocks	Wood Clocks	Carriages whether four wheel or two wheel riding carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons Carryalls and Jersey waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness
	1				1 Gig at $30 & 1 four wheel riding carriage at $250

Amount of tax	Proof
11.43	

The 1843 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the estate of Edward Wright and with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains, and Contiguous tracts &c
David P. Wright	King & Qu	In fee	60	Elizabeth Hutchason)
Edward Wright Estate	King & Qu	In fee	261¼	)

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the Land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
25 miles NW	4.00		240.00	.30	
	9.36½	1400.00	2446.17	3.05¾	

The 1843 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
David P Wright	Kg & Qn	fee	308¼	Wm A Wright
Same			200	Wm Blackburn

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.86
22 do	6.50	600	1300.00	1.95

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year

200 acres added Conveyed to you by Richd H Pitts

This record reflects the purchase in 1842 of 200 acres of land by Essex County Deed 47/279.

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on April 20:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
Apr 20	David P Wright		1	2

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and value	Gold Watches	
					1.85

Although this record indicates that David Pitts Wright had property in Essex County, the 1850 Personal Property Tax List set forth below indicates that his residence remained in King and Queen County.

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on March 4, 1844:

Date of receiving Lists from individuals	Persons chargeable with tax	White males above sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old	Horses &c
Mar 4th	David P Wright	1	11	10	5

No of 4 wheel pleasure carri-ages and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure carri-ages and value	Gold Watches	Silver patent lever or lepine watches	other watches	Clocks at 50 cents
1 $250	1 $25		1		

Clocks at 25 Cents	Pianos and value	Gold and silver plate	specific ___ and Cost of	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax	Amount of interest or profits in money loaned out or on bonds purchased including interest profits or dividends on State of Corporation bonds

Amt of ____ ided yearly income and and salaries or Fees of office	Bridges. Amt of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries. Amt of yearly rent or value over $100	Deeds, Probate &c	Total amount of Tax
			1	10.27

The 1844 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains, and Contiguous tracts &c
David P Wright	King & Qu	In fee	60	Edward Wright Estate
Ditto			100	Schumbly Ellot

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total Value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
34 Miles NW	4.00		240.00	.80	Transferred from
	4.00		400.00		S Ellott
			640.00		

The 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Lands as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
David P Wright	King & Qn	fee	308¼	W A Wright
Same			200	Wm Blackburn

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
11 NW	4.00		1235.00
22 do	6.50	600	1300.00

Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
1.55	
1.63	

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mules &c
David P Wright	1	10	12	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls, and harness and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages, and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches
1 $250			1 $30		1

Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and am't of tax

Dentists paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- amt of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- amt of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			9.04

The 1845 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
David P Wright	King & Queen	In fee	60	Ditto {Elizabeth Hutchason]
Ditto			100	Schumbly Ellot

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
25 Miles NW	4.00		240.00		
34 Miles NW	4.00		440.00		

This record reflects the acquisition by David Pitts Wright of an additional 100 acres of land in King & Queen County.

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
David P Wright		4		2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				1.48

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
David P Wright	King &Queen	fee	308¼	William A Wright
Same	"	"	200	Wm Blackburn

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.24
22 do	6.50	600	1300.00	1.30

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

On May 24, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/450 David P. Wright purchased from Joseph J. Gouldman two parcels of 2 acres and 13 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 24th day of May one thousand eight hundred and forty five Between Joseph J. Gouldman of the County of Essex of the one part, and David P. Wright of the County of King and Queen of the other part Witnesseth, that the said Joseph J Gouldman for and in consideration of the sum of Eighty one Dollars - cents to him in hand paid by the said David P Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged has granted bargained sold aliened and conveyed and by these presents doth grant, bargain sell alien and convey unto the said David P Wright two small tracts or parcels of land situated in the County of Essex one containing two acres 2 R: 35 po: and is bounded as follows viz: Beginning at a large poplar in the head of a branch corner to William Blackburn, thence S 32½ E 56-1/5 po: to a small cedar in the South side of the road corner to said Wright in William Duhman's line thence S. 58 W 15 3-10 po: to a stake near a small persimon bush, thence N 18 W 58 po to the beginning. The other tract or parcel of land, containing thirteen acres 2 Ro 20 po: and is bounded as follows Viz: Beginning at a poplar on the west side of the Branch corner to William Blackburn thence N 7° W 167 po: to a Stake and corner to same, thence N. 6° E 40 po: to a large white oak on the north side of a large swamp and corner to said Blackburn, Wright and Mrs Mana Garnett and opposite to a mouth of a branch thence up said Branch according as its various meanderings to the beginning. Both pieces being a part of the tract of land of which the late Joseph Taylor died seized and possessed and bequeathed by him to Albert M Taylor and Laurence J Taylor sons of Robert P Taylor infants under the age of twenty one years and sold under a decree of the County Court of Essex dated 21st day of April 1845 by William Blackburn the Commissioner therein named and conveyed by him to me by deed bearing date on the 1st day of May 1845. To have and To hold the said two tracts or parcels of land, together with all the appurtenances thereto belonging to him the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns to the only proper use and behoof of him the said David P. Wright his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Joseph J. Gouldman for himself, his heirs executors and administrators doth hereby covenant and agree to and with the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns, that he the said Joseph J. Gouldman and his heirs the said tracts or parcels of land with the appurtenances thereto belonging unto him the said David P Wright his heirs and assigns against him the said Joseph J. Gouldman & his heirs and against all persons whomsoever claiming under by or through him.

In Witness whereof the said Joseph J. Gouldman has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year above written.

Joseph J. Gouldman

Essex County, Towit:

We Thomas H Pitts and James Spindle Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Joseph J. Gouldman a part to a certain deed bearing date on the 24th day of May 1845 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 15th day of June 1845

Thos: H Pitts
James Spindle

Essex County Court Clerks Office September 15th 1845.

This Deed was this day produced in the Office Aforesaid and with the Justices certificate annexed admitted to record.

Teste.
James Roy Micon Clk

1845 Nov: 17th Recd the Original Deed recorded opposite

D. P. Wright"

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mules &c
David P Wright	2	10	12	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls, and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages, and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches
1 $200			1 $20		1

Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and am't of tax

Dentists paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- amt of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- amt of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			8.39

The 1846 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
David P Wright	King & Queen	In fee	60	the above 261¼
Ditto			100	Schumbly Ellot

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
25 Miles NW	4.00		240.00		
34 Miles NW	4.00		440.00		
			640.00		

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
David P Wright		4		2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				1.48

The 1846 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
David P Wright	King & Queen	fee	308¾	Wm A Wright
Same	"	"	217	Wm Blackburn

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.24
22 do	6.50	600	1410.50	1.41

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

17 acres added Conveyed to you by __ Gouldman Comr. & taken from Estate of Joseph Taylor decd

This record reflects the purchase in 1845 of 13 or 17 acres of land by Essex County Deed 48/450.

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mules &c
David P Wright	1	10	12	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls, and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages, and harness, and value	Gold watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches
1 $150					1

Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and am't of tax
	1					

Dentists paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges- amt of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- amt of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			7.34

The 1847 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
David P Wright	King & Queen	fee	60	Ditto [Elizabeth Hutchason]
Ditto			100	Ellot Sthrushly

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
25 Miles NW	4.00		240.00		
__ Miles NW	4.00		400.00		
			640.00	.64	

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
David P Wright		3		2

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				1.16

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
David P Wright	K&Q	fee	308¾	Wm A Wright
Same	"	"	217	Wm Blackburn

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.24
22 "	6.50	600.00	1410.50	1.41

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving list from individuals	Names of persons chargeable with tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
May 8th	David P Wright	1	11	11	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages & harness & their value	2 wheel pleasure carriages, & harness & their value	Gold watches	and lepine silver watches	Patent lever Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks
1 $150	1 $20		1		1	

Pianos and their value	Plates over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax am't of tax	Physicians &c paying specific tax and amount of tax	Amount of Interest &c rec'd on money loaned &c	Amount of tax	Proof
					7.32	

The 1848 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
David P Wright	King & Queen	fee	60	Ditto [Elizabeth Hutchason]
Ditto			100	Ellott Thumbley Est

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
25 Miles NW	4.00		240.00	.64	
25 Miles NW	4.00		400.00		
			640.00		

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
David P Wright		3	1	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				1.48

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
David P Wright	King & Queen	fee	308¾	William A Wright
Same	"	"	217	William Blackburn

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.24
22 do	6.50	600.00	1410.50	1.41

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
David P Wright	1	11	12	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls, and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages, and harness, and value	Gold Watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches
1 $100			1 $20		1

Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Harps, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and am't of tax
	1						

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office
	55	

Bridges--am't am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries--am't am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses, and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
			7.41

The 1849 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
David P Wright	King & Queen	fee	60	Ditto [Elizabeth Hutchason]
Ditto			146	

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
	4.00		240.00	.64	
	4.00		400.00		
			640.00		

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
David P Wright		4	1	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				1.80

On February 19, 1849, at Essex County, Virginia, David P. Wright and Mary E. Wright of King and Queen County sold to Lucinda A. Sherwood 87 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 19th day of Feby one thousand eight hundred and forty nine between David P Wright and Mary E his wife of the County of King and Queen of the one part, and Lucinda A Sherwood of the County of Essex of the other part Witnesseth that the said David P Wright and Mary E his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of six hundred and twelve dollars to them in hand paid by the said Lucinda A Sherwood the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge have granted bargained, sold, aliened and conveyed and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell alien, convey and confirm unto the said Lucinda A Sherwood a certain tract or parcel of Land situated in the County of Essex and containing by survey Eighty Seven Acres, one rood & 25 poles be the same more or less, and bounded as follows Viz Beginning at a stake corner to Charles T Southall's Est and running thence N 9½ E 75-3/5 poles to a stake, two small hickries pointers a

new made corner to said David P Wright in Philip A Branham's line, thence S 77½ E 144-3/5 poles to a stake in Jones C Clopton's line and corner to said Philip A Branham, thence S 12½ E 62-1/5 poles to a Sycamore corner to said Jones C Clopton and in Mrs Lucy Pitts' line thence S 72½ W 79½ poles to a persimon tree corner to Mrs. Lucy Pitts thence S 70½ W 24-1/5 poles to a White Oak corner to Lucy Pitts and Charles T Southall's Est: thence N 25 W 86-2/5 poles to the beginning - To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of Land, together with all the appurtenances thereto belonging to her the said Lucinda A Sherwood her heirs and assigns to the only proper use & behoof of her the said Lucinda A Sherwood her heirs and assigns forever - And the said David P Wright and Mary E his wife, for themselves, their heirs Executors and administrators, do hereby covenant and agree to and with the said Lucinda A Sherwood her heirs & assigns that they the said David P Wright and Mary E his wife and their heirs, the said tract or parcel of land with its appurtenances, unto her the said Lucinda A Sherward her heirs and assigns against them the said David P Wright and Mary E his wife and their heirs, and against all persons whomsoever shall and will by these presents forever warrant and defend - In witness whereof the said David P Wright and Mary E his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day & year above written

D. P. Wright
Mary E Wright

Essex County to wit

We Warner Lewis & Jones C Copton Justices of the peace in the county aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that David P Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 19th day of Feby 1849 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded - Given under our hands & seals this 19th day of Feby 1849

W. Lewis JP
J. C Clopton

Essex County to wit:

We Warner Lewis and Jones C Copton Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the sate of Virginia do hereby Certify that Mary E Wright the wife of David P Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 19th day of Feby 1849, and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Mary E Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she willingly

signed, sealed, and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it - Given under our hands & seals this 19th day of Feby 1849

W. Lewis
H. Clopton

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 16th day of April 1849

This Deed was this day produced in Court with the Justice's Certificates annexed, and ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1849 June 18th Recd the Ofiginal Deed recorded opposite at the request of Mrs. Lucinda A Sherwood

Thomas Latane"

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
David P Wright	King & Queen	Fee	308¾	Wm A Wright
Same	"	"	217	Wm Blackburn

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
11 NW	4.00		1235.00	1.24
22 "	6.50	600	1410.50	1.41

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with tax	White males above 16 years of age	Male free negroes above sixteen	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
David P Wright	1		10	13	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls, and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages, and harness, and value	Gold Watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches
2 $110 & $80					1

Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Harps, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and am't of tax
	1						

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporation bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges--am't am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries--am't am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
		8.11

The 1850 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
David P Wright	King & Queen	In fee	204	Ditto [Elizabeth Hutchason]

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
25 Miles NW	4.03	150	822.12	.82	

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
David P Wright K & Q	1	4	1	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			1.80

This record confirms that while David Pitts Wright was listed in the Essex County, Virginia, Personal Property Tax Lists, his residence remained in King and Queen County.

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
David P Wright	King & Queen	Fee	221¼	Wm A Wright
Same	"	"	217	Wm Blackburn

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
11 NW	4.00		885.00	1.88
22 "	6.50	600.00	1410.50	1.41

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

872 acres taken from this tract conveyed to Lucinda A Shearwood

The 1850 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David P. Wright with the following household on November 21, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
David P Wright	46	M		Farmer	5,000
Mary E Wright	42	F			
David A Wright	23	M			
Sarah Ann Wright	20	F			
Thomas E Wright	19	M			
John R Wright	17	M			
William D Wright	16	M			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
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This record indicates that David Pitts Wright was born in about 1804 and that Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright was born in about 1808. The places of birth were probably Virginia since the census taker did not fill in a place of birth for anyone born in Virginia after the first listing on the page.

On August 12, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/709 David P. Wright and Mary Emily Wright exchanged with John H. and Sally Ann Clarkson two parcels of 475 acres and 250 acres of land:

> "This Deed made this 12th day of August in the year one Thousand eight hundred and fifty four between David P Wright and Mary Emily his wife of the County of King & Queen of the one part and John H Clarkson and Sally Ann his wife of the County of Essex of the other part. Witnesseth that the said David P Wright and Mary Emily his wife for and in consideration of a certain tract or parcel of land situated lying and being in the County of Essex and known as Moodys Containing by Survey four hundred and Seventy five acres be the Same more or less and bounded by the lands of Warner Lewis, James McDonald James H Latane, Mary B Latane and the main road leading from Mount Zion meeting house to New Town, do give grant bargain Sell and convey and by these presents have given

granted bargained Sold and Conveyed unto the Said John H Clarkson a certain other tract or parcel of land situated lying and being in the said County of Essex Known as Pittsville Containing Two hundred and fifty acres be the same more or less and bounded by the lands of William Blackburn Muscoe R H Garnett and the main road leading from the Eagles Nest to Vanters' Church; And this Deed further Witnesseth that the said John H Clarkson and Sally Ann his wife for and in consideration of the above mentioned tract or parcel of land Known as Pittsville as heretofore described do give grant bargain Sell and convey and by these presents have given granted bargained Sold and Conveyed unto the Said David P Wright the aforementioned tract or parcel of land called Moodys as herein before described And the parties to these presents do covenant and agree that the Said David P Wright and Mary Emily his wife will warrant generally the property herein by them Conveyed to the Said John H Clarkson and that the Said John H Clarkson and Sally Ann his wife will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed by them to the Said David P Wright In Testimony whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto set their names and affixed their Seals the day & year first above written

D P. Wright
Mary E Wright
John H Clarkson
Sally A Clarkson

Virginia King & Queen County to wit:

I, John Lumpkin a Justice of the peace for the County in the State aforesaid do certify that David P Wright and John H Clarkson whose names are Signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 12th day of August 1854 acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this 12th day of August 1854.

John Lumpkin JP.

Virginia King & Queen County to wit

We A M Boulware and John Lumpkin Justices of the peace for the County in the State aforesaid do certify that Mary Emily wife of David P Wright and Sally Ann wife of John H Clarkson whose names are Signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 12 day of August 1854 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from their husbands and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to them they the said Mary Emily Wright and Sally Ann Clarkson acknowledged the same to be their act and deed

and declared that they had willingly executed the Same and do not wish to retract it Given under our hands this 12th day of August 1854

A M Boulware J.P.
John Lumpkin J.P.

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 29th 1853

This Deed was this day produced to me in my Said office and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1855 Decr 31st Received the original deed recorded opposite hereto, under an order from John H Clarkson filed in Bundle of Deeds Wills &c April 1855

Th: Croxton for
J H Clarkson"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that David Pitts Wright was a son of 1815 Edward Wright of King and Queen County and Mary (Pitts) Wright, was born on April 1, 1804, married Mary Emily Pitts on August 4, 1824, resided at "Wrightsville" in King and Queen County, was a lawyer and a member of the Old Court and the Virginia House of Delegates, and that David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright had the following children:

1) Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley, born in 1825,
2) David Arthur Wright, born in 1827,
3) Sarah Ann "Sally" (Wright) Clarkson, born in 1828,
4) Thomas Edward "Buck" Wright, born in 1834,
5) Charles Zebulon Wright, born in 1835.

From the evidence set forth above and addtional evidence set forth below, the children of David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright were the following:

1) Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley, born on June 26, 1825, in Virginia,
2) David Arthur Wright, born on February 11, 1827, in King & Queen County, Virginia,
3) Sarah Ann (Wright) Clarkson, born on November 21, 1828, in Virginia,

4) Thomas Edward Wright, born on December 2, 1830, in King & Queen County, Virginia,

5) John Randolph Wright, born on January 28, 1833, in Virginia,

6) William Dandridge Wright, born on July 17, 1834, in King & Queen County, Virginia, and

7) Charles Zebulon Wright, born on October 25, 1835.

i. Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley, Her Husband John Richard Motley, And Her Descendants

Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley was a daughter of 1855 David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1855 David Pitts[4])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

"Family Record
. . . .
Births
. . . .
Mary Lucinda Wright daughter of David P Wright and Mary E his wife was born 26th of June 1825--
. . . .
Mary Lucinda Motley wife of J. R. Motley and daughter of David P. Wright died January 24th 1878
. . . ."

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed John Motley in the Richard Motley household on August 30, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Richard Motley	62	M		Farmer	10000
John Motley	28	M		Manager	
Mary Motley	25	F			
Richard Motley	6/12	M			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley was born in about 1825 and that John Richard Motley was born in about 1822.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed J. R. Motley with the following household on July 2, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
J R Motley	38	m		farmer	20000
M Lucinda Motley	33	f			
M E Motley	6	f			
D A Motley	4	m			
Ella Motley	3	f			
D P Motley	2	m			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
30800	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				

This record indicates that Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley was born in about 1827 and that John Richard Motely was born in about 1822.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed John R. Motley with the following household on July 21, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John R Motley	48	M	W	Farmer	8,400
Mary L Motley	45	F	W	Keeping House	
Mary E Motley	17	F	W	Without Occupation	
David A Motley	15	M	W	Attending School	
Ella Motley	14	F	W	Attending School	
Dandridge P Motley	12	M	W	Attending School	
Ida Motley	6	F	W	At Home	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1,375	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			.	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	

This record indicates that Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley was born in about 1825 and that John Richard Motley was born in about 1822.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed J. R. Motley with the following household on June 25, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
J R Motley	W	M	57		Father
Arthur Motley	W	M	22		Son
Mary Motley	W	F	24		Daughter
Dandridge Motley	W	M	20		Son
Ida Motely	W	F	16		Daughter

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Farmer		
S		at Home		
S		at Home		
S		at Home		
S		at Home		

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1,375	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			.	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	

This record indicates that Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley was born in about 1825 and that John Richard Motley was born in about 1822.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed J. R. Motley with the following household on June 25, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
J R Motley	W	M	57		Father
Arthur Motley	W	M	22		Son
Mary Motley	W	F	24		Daughter
Dandridge Motley	W	M	20		Son
Ida Motely	W	F	16		Daughter

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Farmer		
S		at Home		
S		at Home		
S		at Home		
S		at Home		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			.	.	.
			.	.	.
			.	.	.
			Virginia	Va	Va
			Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that John richard Motley was born in about 1823. The absence of Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley from the household confirms her death in 1878 as set forth above in the Bible record.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Lucinda Wright was a daughter of David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1825, married John Richard Motley on June 14, 1849, resided at "Rover's Rest" near Rexburg, and died in 1878 and that Mary Lucinda (Wright) Motley and John Richard Motely had the following children:

1) Richard David Motley, born in 1850,
2) Thomas W. Motley, born in 1851,
3) Mary Emily Motley, born in 1853,
4) David Arthur Motley, born on October 14, 1854,
5) Ella (Motley) Newbill, born in 1856,
6) Dandridge Pitts Motley, born in 1858, and
7) Ida Wright (Motley) Hutchinson, born in 1863.

ii. 1858 David Arthur Wright Of Essex County

1858 David Arthur Wright of Essex County was a son of 1855 David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1855 David Pitts[4])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

David A Wright son of David P Wright & Marty E his wife was born 11th day of Feby. 1827--

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

David A. Wright son of David P. Wright, died 26 April 1858

. . . ."

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed David A. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
David A Wright	1			

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents

The 1848 and later Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, did not list a David A. Wright.

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David A. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with tax	White males above 16 years of age	Male free negroes above sixteen	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
David A Wright	1				1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages, and value, including harness	Carryalls, and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages, and harness, and value	Gold Watches	Patent lever or lepine silver watches

Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Harps, and value	Plate over the value of $50	Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and am't of tax
						1 $5	

Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits, or dividends on state or corporation bonds	Am't of monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office

Bridges--am't am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries--am't am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents

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The 1850 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed David A. Wright in the David P. Wright household on November 21, 1850, his age as 21 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1829, and his occupation as lawyer.

On October 1, 1855, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/817 David A. Wright purchased from James B. and Anna L. Bowie 168 acres of land:

> "This Deed made and entered into this 1st day of October in the year one thousand Eight hundred and fifty five between James B Bowie and Anna L his wife of the one part and David A Wright of the other part Witnesseth that for and in consideration of Eight hundred and fifty dollars, in hand paid to the said James B Bowie, and Ann L his wife by the said David A Wright, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged they the Said James B Bowie and Anna L his wife do grant unto the said David A Wright all of their right title and interest in and to a certain tract or parcel of land (being an undivided moiety of the same) situated lying and being in the County of Essex Containing by Survey one hundred and Sixty Eight acres, be the same more or less, being a portion of the original tract of land formerly owned by Erasmus Jones and allotted to Walter Bowie in a division of the said tract of land under a decree of the County Court of Essex in a suit that is depending in the name & Style of Rennolds vs Jones, the boundaries of which said tract of land are fully set forth and described in a plat of the survey of Said land filed in said Suit the Said land being now bounded by the lands of John R Motley, Otway Rennolds, & others. And the said James B Bowie and Anna L his wife, do covenant with the said David A Wright that they will warrant generally to the Said David A Wright one full undivided moiety of the tract of land herein described & hereby conveyed Witness the following Signatures & Seals
>
> J B Bowie
> Anna L Bowie
>
> Westmoreland County to wit
>
> I, Thomas Brown a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do Certify that James B Bowie whose name is Signed to the writing annexed bearing date on the 1st day of October 1855, has acknowledged the

Same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this 22nd day of April 1856

Thos Brown J.P.

Westmoreland County to wit

We Thomas Brown and Henry Beale Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do Certify that Anna L Bowie the wife of James B Bowie whose names are Signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 1st day of October 1855 personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Anna L Bowie acknowledged the Said writing to be her act and declared that She had willingly executed the Same and does not wish to retract it Given under our hands this 23rd day of April 1856

Thos. Brown J.P.
Henry Beale J.P.

Essex County Court Clerks Office May 6th 1856

This Deed was this day produced to me in my Said office and with the Justices Certificate, annexed admitted to record

Test
James Roy Micon Clk"

On January 14, 1858, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/199 David A. Wright sold to Adolphus Herbertz his office on Courthouse Square in Tappahannock:

"I have this day Sold & do hereby Convey to Adolphus Herbertz my office on the Court house Square & fronting Main Street for the Sum of Four hundred Dollars the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged the title to the Said Office is derived under an order of the County Court of Essex & I convey the Same only to the Said Herbertz as is vested in me Given under my hand & Seal this 14th day of Jany 1858

D A Wright

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 19th day of July 1858

This paper writing bearing date the 14th day of January 1858 Signed by D A Wright to Adolphus Herbertz being produced in Court was on the motion of Henry W Daingerfield ordered to be recorded

Teste"

On February 27, 1858, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/276 David A. Wright, Thomas Croxton, and James M. Matthews, as commissioners, sold to Robert P. Waring, Richard H. Waring, and Thomas L. Waring the grist mill owned by Ross A. Cauthorn at his death:

"This Deed made this 27th day of February 1858 between David A. Wright Thomas Croxton and James M Matthews Commrs acting under a decree of the Circuit Court of Essex County in the Case of Trible Vs Waring of the one part, and Robert P Waring, Richard H Waring and Thomas L Waring of the other part - Witnesseth - that whereas by Virtue of a decree in the Said Cause the Said grantor's Sold the Water Grist Mill and the land attached thereto of which Ross A Cauthorn died seized unto the Said grantees for the sum of two Thousand and Sixty dollars being the Same Conveyed to Ross A Cauthorn by deed from James A Dunn and wife and James Bray and wife both of which were recorded in the Clerks Office of Essex County Court on the 31st day of Jany 1853 which are hereby referred to as giving the proper metes bounds and appurtenances of Said Mill and land - and whereas the Said grantees have fully paid the purchase money aforesaid - Now therefore in Consideration of the premises the Said Grantors do grant unto the Said grantees the Said Water Grist Mill and the land attached thereto with all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging in any way. And the Said Wright Croxton and Matthews do hereby covenant that they will warrant specially the Said property

Witness the following Signatures and Seals

Witness	D A Wright
Wm Kemp Garnett	Th Croxton
Geo. T. Wright	James M Matthews

Essex County Court Clerks Office January 27th 1859

This Deed was this day produced to me in my Said Office and acknowledged by James M Matthews one of the parties to the Same to be his act and deed and admitted to record as to him

Teste"

The death record of David A. Wright, son of David P. and Mary C. Wright, was dated on April 2, 1858, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Place of Death:	Essex County, Virginia
Line Number:	38
Name of Deceased:	David A. Wright
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	31
Date of Death:	April 2, 1858
Place:	Essex County
Cause of Death:	Not stated
Name of Parents:	David P. and Mary C. Wright
Birthplace of Deceased:	Not stated
Occupation:	Attorney at Law
Consort of:	Unmarried
Name of Informant:	Lucinda Motley
Relation of Informant:	Sister
Commissioner of the Revenue:	Not stated
Date Record Filed:	Between 1858 and 1896"

The will of David A. Wright was dated on April 24, 1858, probated on May 17, 1858, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 28/12, and provided as follows:

"I David A Wright of the County of Essex and State of Virginia, do hereby make this my last Will and testament revoking all others heretofore made - In the first place I desire that all my just debts be fully paid off - Secondly I desire my friend A O Yerby to revoke the Contract heretofore made between him and myself for the purchase of Corbin Hill my present residence. I next make the following legacies Viz I give to my Bro Charles Z Wright my riding horse and hand trunks I give to my nephew David A Motley my gold watch and the whole of my library. The residue of my property both real and personal I give to be Equally divided to my brothers and Sisters Lastly I hereby appoint my friends Thomas Croxton and John R Motley Executor of this my last Will and testament and desire that my

papers be desturbed after my death by no one else but them In Witness whereof I hereby Set my hand and Seal this 24th day of April 1858

Signed Sealed and delivered D A Wright
in the presence of us joint
Witnesses together
and in the presence of
the testator
Edwd L Wright
Ellis Burnett

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of May 1858

This Last will and testament of David A Wright being brought into court and offered for proof. And Ellis Burnett one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Said Will being first duly Sworn deposed and Said that he Saw the testator Sign and heard him acknowledge the Said will to be his last will, that Edward L Wright another Subscribing Witness to the Same and the Said Burnett were both present at the Same time when the said will was Signed and acknowledged and that both of the Said Witnesses Subscribed the Said Will in the presence of the testator and in the presence of Each other and that the testator was in perfect Sense and memory at the time of Executing the Same And thereupon the Said will was ordered to be Certified and Continued for further proof

Teste

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 21st day of June 1858

This Last will and testament of David A Wright decd being again offered for proof Edward L Wright the other Subscribing Witness to the Said will being first duly Sworn deposed and said that he saw the testator sign and heard him acknowledge the said will to be his last will and Testament, that Ellis Burnett, another Subscribing Witness to the Said will and himself were both present at the same time when the Said will was Signed and acknowledged and that both of the said Witnesses subscribed their names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the testator and in the presence of Each other and at his request and that the testator was in perfect sense and and memory at the time of Executing the Same and thereupon the Said Will was ordered to be recorded. On the motion of Thomas Croxton and John R Motley the nominal Executors in the Said Will a Certificate was granted them in order to their obtaining probat of the Same in due form of law they having taken the oath in such case prescribed by law and Entered into a bond payable to the Commonwealth of Virginia in the penalty of Fifteen Thousand Dollars with Lineaus C Gatewood and William D Wright their

Sureties approved of as Such by the Court which Said bond being Conditioned as the law directs was acknowledged by the obligors and also ordered to be recorded

A Copy

Know all Men by these presents That we Thomas Croxton John R Motley Lineaus C Gatewood and William D Wright are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the just and full Sum of fifteen Thousand dollars; to which payment, well and truly to be made to the Said Commonwealth, we bind ourselvs, our heirs, Executors and administrators, jointly and Severally, firmly by these presents Sealed with our Seals and dated this 21st day of June 1858, and in the 82nd Year of the Commonwealth. The Condition of the above obligation is Such, That if the Said Thomas Croxton and John R Motley who are this day permitted by the County Court of Essex County to qualify as the Executors of the last Will and Testament of David A Wright decd they being the nominal Executors in the Said Will Shall faithfully discharge the duties of his Said office according to law, then the above obligation to be Void, otherwise to remain in full force and Virtue

Signed Sealed, and acknowledged by all the obligors, in the presence of Essex County Court, and ordered to be recorded

Teste

Th Croxton
J R Motley
L C Gatewood
Wm D Wright"

On January 27, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/378 John R. Motley and Thomas Croxton, as executors of David A. Wright, and other heirs of David A. Wright sold to John S. and Catharine Rouzee 475 acres of land called Moodys and owned by David A. Wright at his death:

"This Deed made this 27th day of January 1859 between John R Motley and Thomas Croxton Exors of David A Wright decd John R Motley and Mary L his wife Thomas E Wright William D Wright, Charles Z Wright John R Wright John H Clarkson and Sallie A his wife of the one part and John S Rouzee and Catharine his wife of the other part all of Essex County Virginia - Witnesseth - That whereas the said John S Rowzee (who at a sale of the tract of land Called Moodys lying in Essex County of which said David A Wright died seized in fee - made by the said Exors by and with the consent of the heirs of D. A Wright decd) became the purchaser of said land at the price of three thousand five hundred and Seventy Dollars which sum has been fully paid or secured to be paid to said Exors - has desired that said land shall be conveyed to him and his said wife to be held by

them as the real estate is held, which said Catharine derived by inheritance from her deceased father Richard Motley the same having been paid for chiefly with funds arising from the sale of a Mill so derived by said Catharine from her said Father. Now therefore in Consideration of the premises the said parties of the first part do grant unto the said Rouzee & wife, for the said land called Moodys in said County adjoining the lands of Warner Lewis and others and supposed to contain four hundred and Seventy five acres but sold in gross. And the said Exors will hereby warrant specially & the other grantors in like manner will so warrant said land unto the said Rouzee & wife

Witness the following signatures & seals

J. R. Motley
Th: Croxton Exors
J: R Motley
Thos E Wright
Wm D Wright
C Z Wright
John H Clarkson
Sallie A Clarkson
Mary L. Motley

County of Essex To Wit

I Jno J Wright a justice of the peace for the County of Essex in the state of Virginia do Certify that John R Motley Exor John R Motley Thomas E Wright whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 27th day of January 1859 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand the 22nd day of February 1859

Jno J Wright JP

State of Virginia County of Essex To Wit

We Wm L Broocke & R P W Fauntleroy justices of the peace for the County of Essex in the state of Virginia do Certify that Sallie A Clarkson the wife of John H Clarkson whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 27th day of January 1859 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her said husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Sallie A Clarkson acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it

Given under our hands this 14th day of October 1859

W L Broocke JP
R. P. W. Fauntleroy JP

County of Essex To Wit

I Jno L Boughton a Justice of the peace for the County of Essex in the state of Virginia do Certify that Charles Z Wright whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 27th day of January 1859 have acknowledged the same before me in My County aforesaid

Given under my hand this 14th day of Novr 1859

Jno. L. Roughton JP

State of Virginia County of Essex To Wit

We John J Wright and James H Latane justices of the peace for the County of Essex in the state of Virginia do Certify that Mary L Motley the wife of John B Motley whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 27th day of January 1859 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her said husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the Said Mary L Motley acknowledged the said writing to be her act, and declared she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it

Given under our hands this 22nd day of November 1859

Jno J Wright
James H Latane

Essex County Court Clerks Office December 14th 1859

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said office and was acknowledged by Thomas Croxton one of the parties to the same to be his act and deed and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that David Arthur Wright was a son of David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1827, did not marry, was a lawyer, and died in 1858.

iii. Sarah Ann "Sally" (Wright) Clarkson, Her Husband John Henshaw Clarkson, And Her Descendants

Sarah Ann "Sally" (Wright) Clarkson was a daughter of 1855 David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1855 David Pitts[4])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

"Family Record
. . . .

Births
. . . .
Sarah Ann Wright daughter of David P. Wright was born on the 21th of Novr. 1828
. . . ."

The 1850 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Sarah Ann Wright in the David P. Wright household on November 21, 1850, and her age as 20 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1830.

As will be set forth below, Sarah Ann Wright married John Henshaw Clarkson.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed John Clarkson with the following household on August 17, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John Clarkson	30	m		farmer	12000
Sally A Clarkson	30	f			
Mary E Clarkson	8	f			
Sallie J Clarkson	6	f			
Lucy D Clarkson	4	f			
John Clarkson	1	m			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
12325	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				

This record indicates that Sarah Ann (Wright) Clarkson and John Henshaw Clarkson were born in about 1830.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed John Clarkson with the following household on August 25, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John H Clarkson	44	M	W	Farmer	6000
Sally A Clarkson	44	F	W	Keeping House	
Mary E Clarkson	18	F	W	Attending School	
Sallie J Clarkson	17	F	W	Attending School	
Lucy D Clarkson	14	F	W	Attending School	
Johny Clarkson	13	M	W	Attending School	
Julian Clarkson	12	M	W	Attending School	
Blanche Clarkson	10	F	W	Attending School	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1060	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

1

This record indicates that Sarah Ann (Wright) Clarkson and John Henshaw Clarkson were born in about 1826.

The 1880 Mortality Schedule for Essex County, Virginia, listed the death of John Clarkson in December 1879 in Essex County, Virginia:

"Name:	John Clarkson
Age:	50
Sex:	Male
Color:	White
Marital Status:	Married
Place of Birth:	Virginia
Father Born:	Va
Mother Born:	Va
Occupation:	Farmer
Month of Death:	Dec
Cause of Death:	Consumption
Length of Residence:	50
Attending Physician:	W. P. Robinson"

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of John H. Clarkson in the Ephesus Baptist Church Cemetery, Dunnsville, Essex County, Virginia:

"Clarkson
John H. Clarkson
Aug 31, 1829
Dec 10, 1879"

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Sallie A. Clarkson in the Julian Clarkson household on June 1, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Julian Clarkson	W	M	18		.
Sallie A Clarkson	W	F	51		mother
John C Clarkson	W	M	20		brother
Blanche Clarkson	W	F	16		sister
Bettie A Cooper	W	F	11		Servant
Susan Cooper	W	F	9		Servant
Milton White	B	M	23		Servant

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
S		Farmer		
Wd		Keeping house		
S		Farmer		
S		At Home		
S		domestic servant		
S		domestic servant		
S		Farm laborer		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
.			Virginia	Va	Va
.			Virginia	Va	Va
.			Virginia	Va	Va
.			Virginia	Va	Va
1			Virginia	Va	Va
1			Virginia	Va	Va
1			Virginia	Va	Va
.			Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that Sarah Ann (Wright) Clarkson was born in about 1829.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Sallie A. Clarkson in the Ephesus Baptist Church Cemetery, Dunnsville, Essex County, Virginia:

"Loving Memory of
Sallie A. C.
wife of J. H. Clarkson
Nov. 20 1828
Nov. 10, 1898"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Sarah Ann "Sally" Wright was a daughter of David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1828, married John Henshaw Clarkson on December 5, 1850, that John Henshaw Clarkson was born in 1829 and died in 1879, and that Sarah Ann (Wright) Clarkson and John Henshaw Clarkson had the following children:

1) Mary Emma (Clarkson) Hutchinson, born in 1851,
2) Sallie Johnson (Clarkson) Bristow,
3) Lucy (Clarkson) Garrett, born in 1855,
4) Julian Clarkson, born in 1861,
5) John L. Clarkson,
6) Stonewall Clarkson, and
7) Lalla Blanch Clarkson.

The Clarkson Family Tree compiled by merlibird123 on Ancestry.com stated that Sallie A. Wright was a daughter of David P. Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright, was born on November 20, 1828, in Caroline County, Virginia, married John Henshaw Clarkson on December 5, 1850, in Essex County, Virginia, resided in 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880 in Essex County, Virginia, died on November 10, 1898, in Essex County, Virginia, and was buried in the Ephesus Baptist Church Cemetery, Dunnsville, Essex County, Virginia, that John Henshaw Clarkson was born on August 31, 1829, in Essex County, Virginia, resided in 1850 in Boone County, Missouri, resided in 1860 and 1870 in Essex County, Virginia, died on December 10, 1879, in Essex County, Virginia, and was buried in the Ephesus Baptist Church Cemetery, Dunnsville, Essex County, Virginia, and that Sallie A. (Wright) Clarkson and John Henshaw Clarkson had the following children:

1) Mary Emma (Clarkson) Hutchinson, born on November 13, 1851, in Virginia,

2) Sallie Johnson (Clarkson) Bristow, born on September 13, 1853, in Virginia,

3) Lucy David (Clarkson) Garrett, born on January 22, 1856, in Essex County, Virginia,

4) John C. Clarkson, born on May 24, 1859, in Virginia,

5) Julian Wright Clarkson, born on October 2, 1861, in Essex County, Virginia,

6) Lalla Blanche Clarkson, born on January 1, 1864, in Virginia, and

7) Thomas Stonewall Jackson Clarkson, born on May 21, 1866, in Essex County, Virginia.

iv. 1859 Thomas Edward "Buck" Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Mary Ella Or Ellen (Dobyns) (Wright) Derieux, And His Descendants

1859 Thomas Edward "Buck" Wright of Essex County was a son of 1855 David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1855 David Pitts[4])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Thomas Edward Wright son of David P Wright was born 2nd of Decr. 1830.

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Thomas E. Wright son of David P. Wright, died ___ May 1859

. . . ."

The 1850 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Thomas E. Wright in the David P. Wright household on November 21, 1850, and his age as 19 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1831.

The marriage record of Thomas E. Wright and Mary Ella Dobyns was dated on December 24, 1856, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Date: December 24, 1856
Husband: Thomas E. Wright
Wife: Mary Ella Dobyns
Age of Husband: 25
Age of Wife: 21
Status of Husband: Single
Status of Wife: Single
Birthplace of Husband: King and Queen County, Virginia
Birthplace of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Residence of Husband: King and Queen County, Virginia
Residence of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Parents of Husband: David P. Wright and Mary Emily Pitts
Parents of Wife: George H. Dobyns and Judith E. Hoskind
Occupation of Husband: Physician"

The death record of Thomas Edward Wright, son of David P. and Emily Wright, was dated in May 1859 at Essex County, Virginia:

"Place of Death:	Essex County, Virginia
Line Number:	100
Name of Deceased:	Thomas Edward Wright
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	29
Date of Death:	May (day not stated) 1859
Place:	John R. Motley's
Cause of Death:	Consumption
Name of Parents:	David P. and Mary Emily Wright
Birthplace of Deceased:	King and Queen County
Occupation:	Physician
Consort of:	Mary Ella Wright
Name of Informant:	Jno. R. Motley
Relation of Informant:	Brother-in-Law
Commissioner of the Revenue:	Not stated
Date Record Filed:	Between 1859 and 1896

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed M. E. Wright in the J. E. Dobyns household on July 10, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
J E Dobyns	48	F			4000
Ann Hoskins	71	F			.
Jno H Dobyns	19	M			.
M E Wright	23	F			500
A B Wright	2	F			.

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
19000	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
2000	Virginia				
12000	Virginia				
.	Virginia				

This record indicates that Mary Ella or Ellen (Dobyns) Wright was born in about 1837.

Index to Marriages of Old Rappahannock and Essex Counties, Virginia, 1655-1900 by Eva Eubank Wilkerson listed the marriage of Mary E. Wright and Peter J. Derieux on December 13, 1866, in Essex County, Virginia.

v. John Randolph Wright

John Randolph Wright was a son of 1855 David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1855 David Pitts[4])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

John Randolph Wright was born on the 28th day of January 1833.--

. . . ."

The 1850 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed John R. Wright in the David P. Wright household on November 21, 1850, and his age as 17 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1833.

vi. 1895 William Dandridge Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Ann E. R. (Dobyns) Wright And His Descendants

1895 William Dandridge Wright of Essex County was a son of 1855 David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1855 David Pitts[4])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

William Dandridge Wright was born on the 17th day of July 1834

. . . ."

The 1850 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed William D. Wright in the David P. Wright household on November 21, 1850, and his age as 16 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1834.

The marriage record of William D. Wright and Ann E. R. Dobyns was dated on December 22, 1855, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Date: December 22, 1855
Husband: William D. Wright
Wife: Ann E. R. Dobyns
Age of Husband: 21
Age of Wife: 16

Status of Husband: Single
Status of Wife: Single
Birthplace of Husband: King and Queen County, Virginia
Birthplace of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Residence of Husband: Essex County, Virginia
Residence of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Parents of Husband: David P. Wright and Mary E. Pitts
Parents of Wife: George K. Dobyns and Judith E. Hoskins
Occupation of Husband: Farmer"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Wm. D. Wright with the following household on July 27, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Wm D Wright	25	m		farmer	12000
A E Wright	21	f			
Eizabeth H Wright	2	f			
David A Wright	2/12	m			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
11825	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				

This record indicates that William Dandridge Wright was born in about 1835 and that Ann E. R. (Dobyns) Wright was born in about 1839.

On February 26, 1861, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/498 William D. Wright purchased from James M. Matthews, as commissioner for the estate of George H. Dobyns, 647 acres of land known as Mount Clement:

"This Deed made the 26th day of February 1861, between Thomas Croxton and James M Matthews Commissioners appointed by the decree of the Circuit Court of Essex County pronounced on the 11th day of November 1859, in a suit in chancery depending in the said Court in the name and style of "Dobyns vs Wright" of the first part, and William D Wright of the second part.

Whereas by a decree recorded in the aforesaid cause on the 28th day of April 1858, Commissioners were appointed to make sale of the real estate of which

George H Dobyns died seized, and wherein the said Commissioners in pusuance of the said decree did on the 1st day of July 1858 sell the said real estate to the highest bidders at public auction, and the said William D Wright became the purchaser of the tract of land in the County of Essex called Mount Clement containing 647 acres more or less, at the sum of $10,399.00/100 of which $261.81/100 was paid in cash, and bonds executed for the deferred payments; and whereas by a further decree in the said cause rendered on the 11th November 1859 the said Croxton and Matthews were appointed Commissioners to collect the bonds executed by the several purchasers of the real estate aforesaid, less the sum of $1790.28-1/3 left and on the bonds of the said William D Wright which said sum with the interest thereon to the date of these presents, amounts to $2021.83½/100 that being the distributive share of Ann Eliza Wright the wife of the said William D Wright who before marriage was Ann Eliza Dobyns in the net proceeds of the real estate of her father the said George H Dobyns decd. And whereas the said William D Wright has paid to the said Commissioners Croxton and Matthews, the amount due on his bonds aforesaid, less the sum aforesaid left due thereon in consideration of his wife's aforesaid interest, and whereas by a certain trust deed bearing even date with these presents, made between the said William D Wright of the first part, H. W. Daingerfield of the second part, and the said Ann Eliza Wright and her children and Judith E Dobyns of the third part, the said Ann Eliza Wright has given up and surrounded to her husband the said William D Wright, in consideration of the settlement of certain real estate upon her and her children by said trust deed, the said amount left due to her on the aforesaid bonds of the said William D Wright, and exonerated him from the payment thereof. Now therefore this deed witnesseth that the said Thomas Croxton and James M Matthews Commissioners as aforesaid in consideration of the premises, do grant unto the said William D Wright, the aforesaid tract of land in the County of Essex called Mount Clement of which the said George H Dobyns died seized and possessed, containing Six hundred and forty seven acres 3 Roods and 21 poles more or less, with special warranty.

Witness the following signatures and seals

Th Croxton
James M Matthews

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 1st 1861

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said office and acknowledged by Thomas Croxton and James M Matthews the parties to the same to be their act and deed and admitted to record.

Teste"

On February 26, 1861, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/499 William D. Wright and Ann Eliza Wright sold to Laurence Roane 348 acres of land that was part of Mount Clement purchased by Essex County Deed 51/498:

> "This deed made this 28th day of February 1861 between Wm D Wright and Ann Eliza his wife of the first part and Laurence Roane of the second part, all of Essex County Virginia witnesseth, that in Consideration of the sum of three thousand four hundred and eighty three Dollars and sixty two and a half cents in hand paid the said Wright and wife by the said Roane at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged by the said Wright and wife, they do grant unto the said Roane that portion of the Mt Clement tract of land lying in Essex County Virginia, embraced in the following limits, to wit, Beginning at a pine at the flood gates of Fogg's Mill, thence down the edge of the mill race to Hoskins' Creek, thence down the edge of Hoskins' Creek to a point on said Creek, corner to A H Jones, thence S 35½° E 27 chains to a point near the public road leading to Tappahannock corner to Mace Clements in A H Jones line, thence S 4½ W 20:55 chains to a point in the road leading from Tappahannock to Dunnsville opposite the gate leading to Mt Clement: thence up the middle of the road leading through Mt Clement field towards the dwelling, to a point in said road, a corner, made to the parties, thence N 17-3/4° W 5:30 chains to a stake at the foot of the hill, below the house, thence N 32-3/4° W 13:22 chains to a small pine at the foot of said Hill thence N 38° W 2:28 chains to small pine, thence N 63-1/4° W 4:73 chains to a twin scrub oak on the right edge of the road to the mill, thence along the left edge of said road to the beginning pine at the flood gates - containing three hundred and forty eight acres, one rood and eighteen perches of land by actual survey, to have and to hold the same to the said Roane his heirs &c forever.
>
> And the said Wright and wife and the said Roane hereby covenant with each other that the road leading through Mt Clement field towards the dwelling, up the middle of which the line runs herein before mentioned, is to be kept open forever, unobstructed, for the use of the owners of the land on either side of it, and that said road is to be eighteen feet wide, said Wright and wife to move their fence nine feet from the middle of said road on their side of it, and said Roane to put his fence nine feet from the middle of the same on his side of the said road - And the said Wright and wife hereby covenant that they will warrant generally unto the said Roane the said land hereby granted with its appurtenances.
>
> Witness the following signatures and seals.
>
> Wm D Wright
> Ann Eliza Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 1st 1861

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said office by Wm D Wright a party to the same to be his act and deed and on the same day and year aforesaid Ann Eliza Wright the wife of Wm D Wright whose names are signed to the deed hereto annexed bearing date the 28th day of February 1861, personally appeared before me in my office aforesaid and being examined by me privily and apart from her said husband, and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Ann Eliza Wright acknowledged the said writing to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it, and thereupon the said deed was admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1865 Mar 30th Original deed this day withdrawn and delivered Dr Laur: Roane

J R Micon Clk"

On February 26, 1861, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/500 William D. Wright executed a deed of trust to H. W. Daingerfield to secure a debt due to Judith E. Dobyns and a trust for the benefit of himself, his wife Ann Eliza Wright, and their children:

"This Deed made the 26th day of February 1861 between William D Wright of the first part, H W Daingerfield of the second part, and Ann Eliza Wright the wife of the said William D Wright and their children, and and Judith E Dobyns of the third part.

Whereas under a decree of the Circuit Court of Essex County pronounced on the 28th day of April 1858, in suit in chancery depending in said Court in the name of Dobyns T Wright the real estate of George H Dobyns decd, the father of the said Ann Eliza Wright was sold a portion of which to wit a certain tract of land in the County aforesaid called Mount Clement, containing 647 acres, more or less, was purchased by the said William D Wright; and whereas the interest of the said Ann Eliza Wright in the proceeds of sale of the said real estate is $1790:28-1/3 as of the 1st day of January 1859, which said amount under a further decree in said cause pronounced on the 11" day of Novembr 1859 was left due on the bonds of the said Wm D Wright executed by him to the Commissioners who made sale of the said real estate in consideration of his aforesaid purchase, and whereas the said Ann Eliza Wright is willing, and it is agreed between herself and her husband the said William D Wright that the said William D Wright shall be exhonorated from the payment of the said sum of $1790:28-1/3 with the interest that has accrued thereon, and that she will surrender all her right and interest therein to her husband, in consideration of his settling on her and her children so much of the Mount Clement tract aforesaid as will compensate her for the aforesaid

surrender or relinquishment, all of which is testified by the execution of this deed by the said parties. And whereas the said Judith E Dobyns the widow of the said George H Dobyns decd is entitled to one third, for life, of the net proceeds of sale of said decedent's real estate sold under said decree, as her dower therein, remainder to the children of said descendent, and she has consented, and agrees with the said Wm D Wright to give up to him her life interest in the distributive share of the said Ann Eliza Wright in the same dower interest which said distributive share is ascertained to be One thousand ten 91-1/3/100 dollars - on condition that the said William D Wright settle on his said wife and her children such further interest and estate in the Mount Clement tract aforesaid, as is equal to the said distributive share of the money aforesaid, which said last mentioned agreement is testified by the parties to the same signing and sealing this deed. And whereas the said Judith E Dobyns has loaned to the said Wm D Wright the sum of Twenty nine hundred ten 7/100 dollars, due by bond bearing even date with these presents which with the legal interest accruing thereon, the said Wm D Wright is desirous to secure

Now therefore this deed witnesseth that the said William D Wright for and in consideration of the premises and the sum of five dollars to him in hand paid by the said H W Daingerfield doth grant unto the said H W Daingerfield the tract of land aforesaid in the County of Essex called Mount Clement on which the said William D Wright now resides, excepting so much thereof as has been sold by the said Wm D Wright to Dr. Laurence Roane the boundaries of which will be found particularly set forth in the deed to said Roane, together with the appurtenances to the said land belonging.

In trust to secure, in the first place, to the said Judith E Dobyns the said sum of Twenty nine hundred ten 07/100 dollars due by bond as aforesaid, together with the interest that may accrue thereon, which said accruing interest the said Wm. D Wright hereby stipulates to pay punctually to the said Judith E Dobyns as it falls due and it shall be the duty of the said H W Daingerfield upon the continued default of the said Wm D Wright for six months after the interest for any particular year shall have become due and payable to pay the same, or upon the failure of the said Wm D Wright, after having first received nine months notice to pay the principal sum aforesaid, in either case, to sell the real estate hereby conveyed to the highest bidder at public auction, on the premises having first given reasonable notice of the time and place of sale, at three or more purlic places in the County aforesaid, and by advertisement to be published in the Richmond Whig or Enquirer, upon the credit of One and two years except for so much as may required to defray the expenses of sale and commissions, which must be paid in cash, and for the deferred payment take the bond of the purchaser with good security made payable to himself as trustee aforesaid, which he shall collect when the same shall have become payable, and out of the money so collected pay to the said Judith E Dobyns her aforesaid debt and interest, or so much thereof as may at that time remain due and the surplus of the said trust money retain in his

hands subject to the limitations and trusts herein contained for the benefit of the said Ann Eliza Wright and the said Wm. D Wright, and their children

And, subject to the trust herein before declared for the payment of the debt and interest aforesaid to the said Judith E Dobyns, the said Wm. D Wright doth grant the real estate hereby before conveyed with the appurtenances thereto to the said H W Daingerfield for the benefit, support and maintenance of the said Wm. D Wright and his wife the said Ann Eliza Wright, and their children, for and during their joint lives and the life of the survivor of them, the profits only to be applied to this purpose and not the principal trust subject, and neither the profits nor the principal to be liable for any debt that the said Wm D. Wright has heretofore contracted, or which he may hereafter contract unless for necessaries for the support &c of himself and family as aforesaid and in that case only the profits as aforesaid and on the death of the survivor the said trust property is to descend and pass to such children of the said Wm D and Ann Eliza Wright, as may at that time be living and the descendents of such as may be dead, the descendants taking the share of their deceased parent.

And upon this further trust, that it shall be the duty of the said trustee, whenever he may be requested to do so by the said Wm D Wright and his said wife or the survivor of them in writing to sell the aforesaid real estate, and to invest the proceeds thereof in such other property as the said Wm D Wright and his said wife or the survivor of them may desire the same to be invested in which property so substituted is to be held for the same purposes, and on the same trusts and conditions and subject to the same limitations as the property hereby conveyed

Witness the following signatures and seals

All erasures and inter-	)	Wm. D. Wright
lineations in foregoing	)	All Eliza Wright
deed, made before its	)	
execution	)	

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 1st 1861

This Deed of Trust was this day acknowledged before me in my said office by Wm D Wright a party to the same to be his act and deed; and on the same day and year aforesaid Ann Eliza Wright the wife of Wm D Wright whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date the 26th day of February 1861 personally appeared before me in my office aforesaid and being examined by me privily and apart from her said husband, and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Ann Eliza Wright acknowledged the said writing to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly executed the same and

does not wish to retract it and thereupon the said deed of trust was admitted to record as to them they being the only parties who have signed the same.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

9th Virginia Cavalry stated that William Dandridge Wright enlisted on August 20, 1863, in Company F, 9th Virginia Cavalry, was absent without leave from October to December 1863, was absent sick from May to August 1864, and was absent without leave on October 11, 1864.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Wm. D. Wright with the following household on June 16, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Wm D Wright	35	M	W	Farmer	180
Ann E Wright	30	F	W	Keeping House	
Lizzie H Wright	12	F	W	Attending School	
Ernest Wright	9	M	W	Attending School	
Roland Wright	8	M	W	At Home	
Mary Wright	6	F	W	At Home	
Nannie Wright	1	F	W	At Home	
Florence Wright	7/12	F	W	At Home	
Lucy Shendwood(?)	25	F	W	Teaching School	
Martha Moore	9	F	B	Domestic Servant	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
100	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	

This record indicates that William William Dandridge Wright was born in about 1835 and that Ann E. R. (Dobyns) Wright was born in about 1840.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Wm. D. Wright with the following household on June 26, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Wm D. Wright	W	M	45		.
Lizzie Wright	W	F	22		Daughter
William E Wright	W	M	20		Son
Roland L Wright	W	M	18		Son
Mary Wright	W	F	15		Daughter

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
Wd		Farmer		
S		At Home		
S		Clerk in Store		
S		At School		
S		At Home		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
.			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
1			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
1			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

This record indicates that William Dandridge Wright was born in about 1825. The listing of William Dandridge Wright as a widower and the absence of Ann E. R. (Dobyns) Wright from the household indicates that she had probably died before 1880.

The marriage record of Lizzie H. Baylor and Warner L. Baylor dated November 30, 1880, at Essex County, Virginia, listed the bride as the daughter of William D. Wright and Ann E. R. Dobyns and her age as 22 and born in Essex County, indicating a date of birth in about 1858.

On February 14, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 59/112 William D. Wright joined Thomas Croxton, as commissioner, and John D. and Bettie Hutchinson to convey to Ella Ferry, Mary Ferry, and Edward Ferry, children of Jonathan T. Ferry, 6 acres of land:

> "Whereas John D. Hutchinson on 21" September 1874 sold to John T. Ferry the Jack Lot at Millers Essex County Virginia supposed to contain five or six acres more or less for one hundred and fifty dollars, and whereas the said John T. Ferry died without paying the purchase price, and whereas on September 18" 1883 the said John D. Hutchinson assigned for value the said contract of sale to Wm D. Wright to wit: Two Hundred and one & 11/100 dollars; and whereas the said Hutchinson for the benefit &c of the said Wright in October 1883 filed his Bill in the Circuit Court of Essex in the name of Hutchinson vs: Terry against the widow and children of the said John T. Ferry dec'd for specific performance of the said contract; and whereas John Ferry 43 Lee St. Baltimore Md, paid the said Wm D. Wright Assee as aforesaid all the principal interest & costs on the said contract and the said suit with request that the deed be made to the three children of the said John T. Ferry dec'd, subject to the dower right of Alice W. Ferry the widow of the said Jno. T. Ferry decd; and whereas the said circuit court of Essex County on 27" day of January 1885 decreed that Commissioner Thomas Croxton with the said John D. Hutchinson and Bettie B. his wife and the said Wm D. Wright uniting in the said deed convey the said "Jack Lot" to the three children of the said Jno. T. Ferry dec'd to wit: Ella, Mary and Edward Ferry subject to the dower right of Alice W. Ferry the widow of the said Jno. T. Ferry dec'd being a life estate in one third of the said Lot. Now this deed witnesseth in consideration of the premises and the further consideration of Five dollars in hand paid by the said Ferrys to the said Croxton commissioner the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the said Thomas Croxton Commissioner, John D. Hutchinson and Bettie his wife and the said Wm D. Wright do grant unto the three children of Jno. T. Ferry dec'd, to wit: Ella, Mary and Edward, subject to the dower right of Alice W. Ferry the widow of the said Jno. T. Ferry dec'd, being a life estate in one third, a certain tract of land at Millers situate in the said County called the "Jack Lot", supposed to contain five or six acres more or less with special warranty as to the said Thomas Croxton Commissioner, and with general warranty as to the said John D. Hutchinson and

Bettie his wife and the said Wm D. Wright. Given under our hands and seals this 14" day of February 1885.

Th: Croxton Comr.
Jno. D. Hutchinson
Bettie B. Hutchinson
Wm D. Wright

State of Virginia, County of Essex, to wit:

We Jno. H. Kidd & L. P. Latane, Justices of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Jno. D. Hutchinson whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date on the 14" day of February 1885, has acknowledged the same before us in our county aforesaid: and we also further certify that Bettie B. the wife of sd Jno. D. Hutchinson whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date on the 4" February 1885, personally appeared before us in our county aforesaid & being examined by us privately & apart from her husband & having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she, the said Bettie B. acknowledged the same to be her act, declared that she had willingly executed the same & does not wish to retract it. Given under our hands this 18" day of April 1885.

S. P. Latane, J.P.
J. H. Kidd J.P.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office May 16" 1898.

This deed was presented and with the certificate annexed, admitted to record at 2 o'clock P.M.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk"

The marriage record of W. E. Wright and Emma A. Campbell dated on December 9, 1886, at Essex County, Virginia, listed the groom as the son of Wm. D. Wright and A. E. L. Dobyns and his age as 26 and born in Essex County, indicating a date of birth in about 1860.

On December 24, 1886, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 54/780 William D. Wright and Warner L. and Lizzie H. Baylor, William Ernest Wright, Emma C. Wright, Roland L. Wright, and Mary E. Wright, children of Ann E. R. Wright, sold to J. R. Lewis, Leonard Lumpkin, J. R. Wright, and York Wright 200 acres of land known as Moodys:

"Whereas J R Motley Trustee for the children of Ann E R Wright decd sold to J R Lewis Leonard Lumpkin J R Wright and York Wright a certain tract of land called Moodys in the said County for Seven hundred (700) dollars and whereas the Circuit Court of Essex County at its September Term 1884 confirmed the said Sale and whereas the said Circuit Court at its September Term 1886 decreed that all the said children of the said Ann E R Wright having attained the age of 21 years that the trust has ceased and that upon the payment of the balance of the purchase price that the said children with W D Wright the father do make to the parties aforesaid a good & sufficient Deed and whereas the said J R Lewis Leonard Lumpkin J R Wright and York Wright have paid almost all of the said purchase price and are desirous of paying the balance Now therefore This Deed made this 24th day of December 1886 between W D Wright W. L Baylor & Lizzie A his wife William Ernest Wright and Emma his wife Roland L Wright and Mary E Wright of the first part and J R Lewis Leonard Lumpkin J R Wright and York Wright of the second part all of the State of Virginia Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of Seven (700) hundred dollars in hand paid by the said J R Lewis Leonard Lumpkin J R Wright and York Wright to the said W D Wright W L Baylor & Lizzie H his wife William Ernest Wright & Emma his wife Roland Wright and Mary E Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the said W D Wright W L Baylor & Lizzie H his wife William Ernest Wright & Emma his wife Roland Wright and Mary E Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the said W D Wright W L Baylor and Lizzie H his wife William Ernest Wright & Emma his wife Roland Wright and Mary E Wright do grant unto the said J R Lewis Leonard Lumpkin J R Wright and York Wright a certain tract of land in Essex County Virginia called Moodys containing Two hundred acres more or less and sold in gross and not by the acre adjoining the lands of Mrs Martha Henley & others the sale of which was confirmed by decree of the Circuit Court of Essex in Chancery cause of Wright vs Dobyns with general warranty Given under our hands and seals the day and year fist above written

Wm D Wright
Warner L Baylor
Lizzie H Baylor
W. E. Wright
E. C Wright
Mary E Wright
R L Wright

State of Virginia
City of Petersburg to wit

I Benjamin Harrison a Notary Public in and for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Warner L Baylor and Mary E Wright whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 24th day of December

1886 have acknowledged the same before me in my City aforesaid Given under my hand this 29th day of December 1886

Benjamin Harrison
Notary Public

State of Virginia
City of Petersburg to wit

I Benjamin Harrison a Notary Public in and for the City and State aforesaid do certify that Lizzie H Baylor the wife of Warner L Baylor whose names are signed to the writing hereunto annexed and bearing date on the 24th day of December 1886 personally appeared before me in the City aforesaid and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Lizzie H Baylor acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it Given under my hand this 29th day of December AD Eighteen hundred and eighty six

Benjamin Harrison
Notary Public

Virginia Essex County to wit

I H W Daingerfield a Commissioner in Chancery of Essex Circuit Court do certify that Wm. D Wright Wm E Wright and R L Wright whose names are signed to the foregoing writing bearing date the 24th day of December 1886 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid And I do further certify that E C Wright the wife of Wm E Wright whose names are signed to the said writing personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid and being examined by me privily and apart from her said husband and having the writing fully explained to her she the said E C Wright acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to reetract it Given under my hand this 12th day of January 1887

H W Daingerfield Comr

Essex County Court Clerks Office January 15th 1887
This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the certificates of acknowledgment thereto annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On March 16, 1889, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 55/380 W. D. Wright purchased from R. L. Wright all of his stock of liquor and cigars on hand in his barroom and house and other property:

> "This deed made this 16th March 1889 between R L Wright of the one part and W D Wright of the other part both of the County of Essex State of Virginia - Witnesseth that in consideration of Eleven Hundred Ninety seven and 96/100 Dollars ($1197:96) in hand paid by the said W D Wright to the said R L Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said R L Wright doth grant unto the said W D Wright his entire stock of liquors Cigars and stock of every description on hand in his Bar Room and House on Main Street Tappahannock with Bar Room furniture outfit equipments and fixtures of every description in or at said house as per inventory this day taken all his accounts bonds, notes, judgments choses in action and Other evidences of debt due him of every description. Horse Buggy and harness the said buggy subject to a lien of W. E Dillard, the house in which he now lives and carries on his Bar Room business subject to a lien due T. R. B Wright also his interest in the House and lot in Tappahannock on Queen St. and at present unoccupied and all interest in all Real and personal property of every description whether descended or otherwise acquired of which he is possessed with general warranty. Given under my hand and seal the day and year first above written.
>
> R L Wright
>
> Virginia.
>
> In Essex County Court Clerks Office March 16" 1889. This deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by R L Wright and admitted to record at four oclock PM.
>
> Teste.
> H Southworth Clerk"

On April 3, 1894, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 58/8 W. D. Wright joined R. N. Pollard, as special commissioner, to convey to Lewis E. Brooks title to 100 acres of land:

> "This deed made this third day of April 1894, between R. N. Pollard Special commissioner as hereinafter set forth, party of the first part and Lewis E Brooks of the County of Essex, State of Virginia party of the second part. Whereas by a decree of the Circuit Court of Essex County rendered April 2" 1890 in the chancery cause of Owens vs Robinson therein depending it was among other things, adjudged ordered and decreed that T. R. B. Wright and R N. Pollard who were thereby appointed special commissioners for the purpose should sell at public auction after certain advertisement certain real estate therein described not to exceed 100 acres and whereas after advertisement as directed and several

offers of sale, said commissioners were unable to secure a purchaser, it was ordered by a decree of said court of January 7" 1891 that in lieu of the land directed to be sold by said former decree, the said Commissioners should sell any other part of the Millers tract or the whole not to include any part of the dower of Alice W Ferry, and whereas the said Commissioners did, on the 20" day of April 1891 after having given due notice by hand-bills offer for sale at public auction one field of the Millers tract less 10 acres supposed to contain 80 acres and lying on the main road leading from Pynes's shop to Mt Zion Church in the County of Essex and adjoining the dower of Alice W. Ferry at which sale W. D. Wright became the purchaser of said land at the price of Three hundred dollars, And whereas the said sale was duly reported to court by said Special Commissioners, and was by another decree entered in said cause on the 3" day of October 1891 by said Court approved and confirmed, and whereas the said W. D. Wright having paid the whole of the purchase money which was duly reported to court, whereupon by another decree of said Court entered in said cause March 2" 1894, said R. N. Pollard was appointed special commissioner to execute and deliver to the said Lewis E. Brooks, to whom the said W. D. Wright purchaser as aforesaid sold said land, a good and sufficient deed with special warranty, to the said real estate in fee simple, in which deed said W. D. Wright is required to unite by signing the same, but no portion of the dower of Alice W. Ferry heretofore assigned to her, is included in this deed. Now therefore this deed witnesseth that for and in consideration of the premises and in obedience to the last mentioned decree R. N. Pollard Special Commissioner as aforesaid doth grant unto the said Lewis E. Brooke with special warranty the real estate hereinbefore fully described. Witness the following signatures and seals.

R. N. Pollard Sp'l Comr.
W. D. Wright

State of Virginia - County of Essex, to wit:

I, Harrison Southworth, Clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do certify that R. N. Pollard, whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 3" day of April 1894, has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 21" day of May 1894.

H. Southworth Clerk

City of Richmond, to wit:

I, H. R. Pollard Jr a notary public for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do Certify that W D. Wright whose name is signed to the foregoing writing dated

April 3" 1894, has acknowledged the same before me in my City aforesaid. Given under my hand this 26" day of January 1895.

H. R. Pollard Jr N.P.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's office March 18" 1895.

This deed was presented and with the Certificate annexed, admitted to record at 12 o'clock M.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk"

This record indicates that William Dandridge Wright died after January 26, 1895.

9th Virginia Cavalry stated that William Dandridge Wright was buried in the St. John's Episcopal Church, Tappahannock, Essex County, Virginia.

vii. Charles Zebulon Wright

Charles Zebulon Wright was a son of 1855 David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3], 1855 David Pitts[4])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

"Family Record
. . . .

Births
. . . .
Charles Zebulon Wright son of David P Wright was born Octr. 25th 1835
. . . ."

The will of David A. Wright dated on April 24, 1858, and probated on May 17, 1858, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 28/12, listed Charles Z. Wright as his brother:

". . . .I next make the following legacies Viz I give to my Bro Charles Z Wright my riding horse and hand trunks . . . ."

On January 27, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/378 Charles Z. Wright joined John R. Motley and Thomas Croxton, as executors of David A. Wright, and other

heirs of David A. Wright to sell to John S. and Catharine Rouzee 475 acres of land called Moodys and owned by David A. Wright at his death:

> "This Deed made this 27th day of January 1859 between John R Motley and Thomas Croxton Exors of David A Wright decd John R Motley and Mary L his wife Thomas E Wright William D Wright, Charles Z Wright John R Wright John H Clarkson and Sallie A his wife of the one part and John S Rouzee and Catharine his wife of the other part all of Essex County Virginia - Witnesseth - That whereas the said John S Rowzee (who at a sale of the tract of land Called Moodys lying in Essex County of which said David A Wright died seized in fee - made by the said Exors by and with the consent of the heirs of D. A Wright decd) became the purchaser of said land at the price of three thousand five hundred and Seventy Dollars which sum has been fully paid or secured to be paid to said Exors - has desired that said land shall be conveyed to him and his said wife to be held by them as the real estate is held, which said Catharine derived by inheritance from her deceased father Richard Motley the same having been paid for chiefly with funds arising from the sale of a Mill so derived by said Catharine from her said Father. Now therefore in Consideration of the premises the said parties of the first part do grant unto the said Rouzee & wife, for the said land called Moodys in said County adjoining the lands of Warner Lewis and others and supposed to contain four hundred and Seventy five acres but sold in gross. And the said Exors will hereby warrant specially & the other grantors in like manner will so warrant said land unto the said Rouzee & wife
>
> Witness the following signatures & seals
>
> J. R. Motley
> Th: Croxton Exors
> J: R Motley
> Thos E Wright
> Wm D Wright
> C Z Wright
> John H Clarkson
> Sallie A Clarkson
> Mary L. Motley
>
> County of Essex To Wit
>
> I Jno J Wright a justice of the peace for the County of Essex in the state of Virginia do Certify that John R Motley Exor John R Motley Thomas E Wright whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 27th day of January 1859 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand the 22nd day of February 1859
>
> Jno J Wright JP

State of Virginia County of Essex To Wit

We Wm L Broocke & R P W Fauntleroy justices of the peace for the County of Essex in the state of Virginia do Certify that Sallie A Clarkson the wife of John H Clarkson whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 27th day of January 1859 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her said husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Sallie A Clarkson acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it

Given under our hands this 14th day of October 1859

W L Broocke JP
R. P. W. Fauntleroy JP

County of Essex To Wit

I Jno L Boughton a Justice of the peace for the County of Essex in the state of Virginia do Certify that Charles Z Wright whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 27th day of January 1859 have acknowledged the same before me in My County aforesaid

Given under my hand this 14th day of Novr 1859

Jno. L. Roughton JP

State of Virginia County of Essex To Wit

We John J Wright and James H Latane justices of the peace for the County of Essex in the state of Virginia do Certify that Mary L Motley the wife of John B Motley whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 27th day of January 1859 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her said husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the Said Mary L Motley acknowledged the said writing to be her act, and declared she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it

Given under our hands this 22nd day of November 1859

Jno J Wright
James H Latane

Essex County Court Clerks Office December 14th 1859

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said office and was acknowledged by Thomas Croxton one of the parties to the same to be his act and deed and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Charles Zebulon Wright was a son of David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1835, did not marry, and was a lawyer.

h. Sally Wright

Sally Wright was a daughter of 1815 Edward Wright of King and Queen County and Mary J. "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1772 William[2], 1815 Edward[3])

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Edward Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 25314, which provided as follows:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Salley Wright daughter of Edward & Polley Wright was born 3rd March 1806--

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Salley Wright departed this life on the 24th Oct. the year 1819

. . . ."

In her letter dated May 14, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of William A. Wright, Virginia State Library Accession Number 20647, which provided as follows:

"Family Record

. . . .

Edward Wright (an only child of William Wright) was married to Polly J. Pitts (a daughter of David Pitts) on the 28th of Octo: 1789-Polly J died on the 23rd. March 1808: and Edward died on the 25th. Sept. 1815. Their children were,

. . . .

8th. Sally born 3 March 1806

. . . .

Sally, the 8th. child, died 24th. Octo 1819 while at school in Tappahannock.

The foregoing is taken from the family record to be found in the old family Bible in the charge of D. P. Wright, and is intended to be sealed to, and made part and parcel of my own immediate family record-Done this 2nd. Sept. 1854

W. A Wright

My mother who was Mary Pitts a daughter of David Pitts, was born on the 18 December 1789, as I find by reference to an old family record, lately submitted to my inspection. I cannot ascertain the precise date of the birth of my Father Edward Wright, but, from the best information I can now obtain, he was nearly of the same age of my mother, perhaps one year of so older

W. A. Wright
1st June 1856"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Sally Wright was a daughter of David Pitts Wright and Mary Emily (Pitts) Wright, was born on March 3, 1806, and died on October 24, 1819, without issue.

G. <u>1772 Samuel Wright Of Cumberland County</u>

1772 Samuel Wright of Cumberland County was a son of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and ____ (____) Wright. (1769 George[1])

The will of 1769 George Wright dated September 29, 1760, and probated on December 18, 1769, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 12/378 listed Samuel Wright as one of his sons:

". . . . my will and desire is that after my wife Decease that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given (viz) Lands Negroes and all other pos'ns my

Goods & chattels be sold and the money arising by such sale to be equally Divided between my ten other children to wit James Wright William Wright Saml. Wright Benja. Wright Griffin Wright Richd Wright Stephen Wright Ann Cox Susannah Gatewood & Eliza Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that on January 25, 1773, at Cumberland County, Virginia, Court Order Book 1772-1774/85 the court ordered an inventory of the estate of Samuel Wright.

The inventory and appraisement of the estate of Samuel Wright was dated February 20, 1773, and filed on April 26, 1773, at Cumberland County, Virginia, W.B. 2/101:

"Agreeable to an order of Cumberland Court we the subscribers being first sworn have appraised all the estate of Samuel Wright de'd shewed to us by the administrators thereof to wit

one surveyors cumpass and book	£4 10 0
two books & one hone 3/ one stock buckle 7/6	10 6
one set shoe and knee buckles	15
one saddle housand and bridle	1 5
one pair leather breaches 25/ one chest 7/6	1 12 6
one bay horse £13 0 one Dixtionary 7/6	13 7 6
one pr. money schales and weights 2/6	
one saddle housand	5 0
	22 5 6

As witness our hands this 20th day of Feb'y 1773.

Charles Anderson
Saymer Scott
John Woodson

At a Court held for Cumberland county 26th April 1773.

This appraisement of the estate of Samuel Wright deceased was returned and ordered to be recorded.

Test
Thompson Swann Clk."

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Samuel Wright was a son of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright.

H. 1814 James Wright Of Essex County

1814 James Wright of Essex County was a son of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright. (1769 George[1])

The will of 1769 George Wright dated September 29, 1760, and probated on December 18, 1769, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 12/378 listed James Wright as one of his sons:

> ". . . . Item my will and desire is that after my wife Decease that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given (viz) Lands Negroes and all other pos'ns my Goods & chattels be sold and the money arising by such sale to be equally Divided between my ten other children to wit James Wright William Wright Saml. Wright Benja. Wright Griffin Wright Richd Wright Stephen Wright Ann Cox Susannah Gatewood & Eliza Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

The will of Elizabeth (____) Wright dated July 10, 1775, and probated on September 18, 1775, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 13/18 listed James Wright as one of her children:

> ". . . .
> Item, my Will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given Viz Lands and all other my Goods be sold and the Money Ariseing by such sale to be Equally Divided Between my seven Children to wit James Wright Benjamin Wright Griffin Wright Richard Wright Stephen Wright Susannah Gatewood Elizabeth Cox lastly I Constitute and appoint my three sons James Wright Richard Wright and Stephen Wright my Executors to this my last Will . . . .
>
> At A Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on Monday the 18th day of September 1775.
>
> This last Will of Elizabeth Wright Decd was presented in Court by James Wright and Richard Wright two of the Executors therein named who made oath thereto According to Law and being also proved by the oaths of the Witnesses thereto it is Ordered to be Recorded
>
> Teste
> John Lee Ck"

The 1782 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright, Stephen Wright, and James Allen with the following household:

	W Tithes	Negroes	Nett Cattle	Horses	Wheels
James Wright Stephen Wright, Jas Allen Frank Sharper, George James Purdew Violet Phebe Agness Winney	3	9	24	5	

The 1782 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

James Wright	314	314	3/	47.0

The transaction by which James Wright acquired this 314 acres of land has not as yet been located.

The 1783 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright and Stephen Wright with the following household:

List of Taxables in the 2d District taken by Newman Brockenbrough April 1784	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Total No Slaves	Nett Cattle
James Wright - Sharper Frank, Pander Violet, Hannah James Abram, Jerry Henney Aggy 1 young Child, Stephen Wright	2	5	11	23

Coverg Horses	Horses & Mules	Wheels	Ordy Licence
	6		

The 1785 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright and Stephen Wright with the following household:

	W Tithes	B Tithes	T Slaves	Horses & Mules
James Wright, Stephen Wright, Frank, Sharper, Abraham, Jerry James Edward Lucey Emanuel Ambrose Hannah Violet ____ Phebe Agness Winney	2	7	15	6

Cattle	C Horses	O Licenses	Wheels
18			

The 1785 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

From	Qt Land	Price	Amt Land	Am Tax
James Wright Do James Wilson	130-			

This record reflects the purchase in October 1785 of 130 acres of land by Essex County Deed 32/372 set forth below.

On October 18, 1785, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 32/372 James Wright purchased from James and Anna Wilson, William and Ann Wood, and Elizabeth Wilson 130 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made This 18th day of October one thousand seven hundred and Eighty five between James Wilson his wife Anna Wilson, William Wood his wife Ann Wood, and Elizabeth Wilson of the County of Essex of the one part and James Wright of the same County of the other part. Witnesseth that the sd. James Wilson Anna Wilson William Wood Ann Wood & Elizabeth Wilson for and in the Consideration of the just sum of one hundred and thirty pounds current money to them in hand paid by the said James Wright the Receipt whereof we the said James Wilson Anna Wilson William Wood Ann Wood and Elizabeth Wilson have granted bargained sold Aliened Enfeoffed and Confirmed and by these presence do grant bargain Sell aliens Enfeof and Confirm unto the said James Wright and his heirs and Assigns forever one certain Tract of Land formerly the propperty of Hugh Wilson lying in the County aforesaid Containing by Estimation one hundred and thirty Acres bounded as followeth Begining at a Corner pine of Colo. Thos. Roanes and John Minters Thence along the sd. Roanes line to a red oak standing near the head of a branch thence down the sd branch to a Willow near the marsh thence to a Maple Standing in the marsh, thence to the mane pecosen thence up the pecosen to the western branch that

divides the sd. land from the land of Benjamin Wright Thence up the sd. Western branch to a small branch that divides the sd. land from the land of John Minters thence up the sd. branch to the begining as followeth with all Houses Gardens, Orchards and Appertenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to have and to hold the said Land with all the Appertenances unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever to the only propper use and behoof of him the said James Wright his heirs and Assigns forever The said James Wilson Anna Wilson William Wood Ann Wood and Elizabeth Wilson doth covenant and agree to and with the said James Wright that we the said James Wilson Anna Wilson William Wood Ann Wood and Elizabeth Wilson and our heirs the above sold Land and premises to the said James Wright and his heirs and assigns forever shall and will warrant by these presence against the Clame of any other person or persons whatsoever In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year above written

Sign'd Seal'd and deliver'd	)	James Wilson		
In presence of	)		her	
Benjamin Wright	)	Anna	X	Wilson
Rice Fawcett			mark	
Thomas Wright		William Wood		
			her	
		Ann	X	Wood
			mark	
			her	
		Elizabeth	X	Wilson
			mark	

At a Court held for Essex County at Tappa. on the 19th day of December 1785 James Wilson and William Wood acknowledged this Deed Indented to be their proper act and deed which is together with a Commission for the privy Examination of Anna the Wife of said James Wilson and Certificate of her acknowledgment of said Deed Ordered to be Recorded

Test
Hancock Lee Clk
Truly recorded Test
Thomas Pollard D Clk"

The 1786 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

	Tithe-ables	Under 16 Years	Horses	Cattle
James Wright, Sharper, Frank, Vilot, Pender Philip Agness & Tom, George Gloster, James Ambrose, Edward, Emanuel & Winney 4 Horses 22 Cattle 130 acres of Land	8	7	4	22

Carriage Wheels	Ordinary Licenses	Land	Wheels
		13_	

The 1787 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on April 16:

Date of receiving List from the Individuals	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Names of free Male Titheables above 21 yrs	No of white males above 16 under 21 years
Apl 16	James Wright	James Wright	

Blacks above 16	Blacks under 16	Horses Mares &c	Cattle	Carriage Wheels	Ordy Licenses	Billiard Tables	Stud Horses
7	7	4	19				

Rates of Covering p Season	Practising Physicians

The 1787 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Proprietors Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty. of Land	price p. Acre	Amt of Land exclusive of Lots	Amt. Tax
James Wright			314	4/6	70.13.0	
Do fro: Jas Wilson			133		29.18.6	1.10.4

The 1788 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on April 12:

date of receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	Tithes Subject County Levy: White Males over 16	Blacks exempted	Blacks over 16	Blacks between 12 & 16
April 12	James Wright	1		6	1

Horses &c	Carri-ages	Ordy Licenses	Stud Horses: Number	Rate of Covering p Season	Practisg physicians &c
4					

The 1788 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Proprietors Names	No of Lots	Yearly rent of Lots	Qty. of Land	price p Acre	Amot of Land exclusive of Lots	Amot Tax
James Wright			314	4/6	70.13.0	
" fro: Jas. Wilson			133		29.18.6	1.10.4

The 1789 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on April 21:

Time receiving Lists	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	Titheables: White Males over 16	Blacks over 16	Blacks between 12 & 16
April 21	James Wright	1	6	2

Horses &c	Carri-ages	Ordy Licenses	Stud Horses: Number	Rates of Covering p Season	Practisg physicians &c
4					

The 1789 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Proprietors Names	No of Lots	yearly rent of Lots	Qty of Land	price pr Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lots	Amt. Tax
James Wright			314	4/6	70.13.0	
" fro: Jas. Wilson			133		29.18.6	1.10.4

The 1790 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 13:

Time receiving Lists	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Males over 16	Blacks over 16	Blacks between 12 & 16
May 13	James Wright	1	7	1

Horses &c	Carri-ages	Ordy Licenses	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Rates of Covering p Season	Practisg physicians &c
4					

The 1790 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Proprietors Names	No of Lots	Yearly rent of Lots	Qty of Land	price p. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lots	Amt. Tax
James Wright			447	4/6	100.11.6	1.10.11

This record reflects a consolidation of the two parcels into one and indicates that the two parcels were adjacent to each other.

The 1791 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 31:

Time of receivg Lists	Persons names charge-able with the Tax	Wht Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks betw 12 & 16
May 31	James Wright	1	6	1

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. Licenses	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses rates of covering p Season
4				

The 1791 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Copy the 3d Proprietors Names	No of Lots	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Am.t Tax 1½ p Cent
[Torn page]			447	4/6	100.11.6	1.10.4

Although the name is not readable, the amount of property is the same as that owned by James Wright in 1790 and this record is almost certainly for him.

The 1792 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 26:

Time of receiving lists	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks betw 12 & 16
May 26	James Wright	1	6	

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. License	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Rates of Covering p Season
3				

The 1792 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

2d. Copy Proprietors Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. Tax @ 5% p £100
James Wright			447	4/6	100.11.6	5.1

The 1793 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 28:

Time of receiving lists	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks between 12 & 16
May 28	James Wright	1	6	

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. License	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses Rates of Covering p Season
3				

The 1793 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

1st Copy Proprietors names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. Tax @ 5%
James Wright			447	4/6	100.11.6	5.1

The 1794 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 20:

Time of receiving the Lists 2d List	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks between 12 & 16
May 20	James Wright	1	6	1

Horses &c	Carriages	Ordy. License	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses Rates of Covering p Season
4				

The 1794 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

4th Copy Proprietors Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax
James Wright			447	4/6	100.11.6	5.1

The 1795 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 8:

Time of receiving the Lists 4th Copy	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tiths	Black Tiths	Blks between 12 & 16
May 8	James Wright	1	5	1

Horses &c	Carriages	Ordy. Licenses	Bild. Tables	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Rates of Covering p Season
4					

The 1795 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

3rd Copy Proprietors Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax
James Wright			447	4/6	100.11.6	5.1

The 1796 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 3:

Time of receiving the Lists 2d Copy	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
May 3	James Wright	1	5	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ordy. Licenses	Bild. Tables	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Rates of Covering
4					

The 1796 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

2d. Copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price p. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. Tax
James Wright			447	4/6	100.11.6	5.1

The 1797 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 5:

Time of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks betw 12 & 16
May 5	Jas Wright	1	5	4

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord: Licences	Billd. Tables	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses rates of Covering p Season
4					

The 1797 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price p Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt Tax @ 5%
James Wright			447	4/6	100.11.6	5.1

The 1798 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 2:

Time of Receiving Lists Copy	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	Wt. Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
May 2d	Jas Wright	1	5	3

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amot Tax D C
4					3.16

The 1798 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

2nd copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price p Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt Tax Land at 30 cts D. C.
James Wright			447	4/6	100.11.6	1.29

The 1799 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Time of Receiving Lists 2nd Copy	Persons names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	James Wright	1	6	4

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord: Licences	No. Stud horses	Rates of Covering	Amot Tax D C
5					5.00

The 1799 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

2nd copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
James Wright			447	4/6	100.11.6	1.61

On January 15, 1800, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 35/172 James Wright purchased from Stirling and Alice Ruffin 301 acres of land:

> "This Indenture mad this fifteenth day of January Anno Domini One thousand eight hundred Between Stirling Ruffin and Alice his Wife of the County of Brunswick & State of Virginia of the one part, and James Wright of the County of Essex and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth, that the aforesaid

Sterling Ruffin and Alice his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of seven hundred and fifty pounds of the Currency of the state aforesaid to them in hand paid by the said James Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and he the said James Wright by these presents acquited of the same, Have bargained, Sold alien'd enfeioffed and confirmed, and by these presents they the said Stirling Ruffin and Alice his wife Do Bargain sell alien enfeiff and Confirm unto the said James Wright his heirs and Assigns, all and every part and parcel of that certain tract of Land, situated, lying and being in the aforesaid County of Essex: the said part or parcel of land hereby conveyed, or intended to be Conveyed; Containing Three hundred & one Acres, be the same more or less, and bounded as follows: Viz: Begining at John Minters corner in James Wright line in the Road, thence along the said road ninety five poles to James Greenwoods corner in Croxtons line, thence Eighty four poles to a marked pine corner to Mrs. Sturghill in said Greenwoods line, thence north twelve degrees East, fifty poles to a white Oak at the head of a branch, thence down the meanders of the said branch to a corner on the Mill swamp binding on Capt John Haile; (formerly Kidds) thence up the said mill swamp on the south side to a small Maple Corner to the said Haile, thence north fourty nine degrees West thirty two poles to a corner tree in a branch, thence South seventy six degrees west one hundred eighteen & one half poles to a Dogwood corner to the said Haile, thence North One & one half degrees East thirty six poles to a small corner pine, thence North Eighty six degrees West Eighty six poles to a pine on the East side of the Road corner to the said Haile in Thos. Dixes line, thence along the said Road One hundred and thirty poles to Hailes Bridge, thence down the aforesaid Mill swamp about ninety poles to James Wrights corner at the swamp or Canal, thence along a line of mark'd trees bounded by the said Wright, South nine and half degrees West Sixteen poles to a Willow, thence South eight and one half degrees East eight and one half poles, thence up the branch to a red Oak in the head of the said branch, thence South twenty five degrees West twenty eight pole to the begining, To have and to hold the said tract and parcel of land above discribed together with all ways, woods, Waters, water courses, easements and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever. And they the said Stirling Ruffin and Alice his wife do for themselves their Heirs Execrs. & admrs. hereby Covenant and Grant to and with the said James Wright his heirs, Execrs. Admrs. and assigns that he the said James Wright his heirs and Assigns shall and may now and at all times hereafter quietly and peaceably, Have hold occupy possess and Enjoy the tract of Land and premises by these presents conveyed or intend to be conveyed without the lett suit trouble or hindrance of them the said Stirling and Alice his wife or either of them, their or either of their heirs, Execrs. or assigns, or of any other person or persons whatsoever claiming from by or under then or either of them the said Stirling Ruffin and Alice his Wife their Heirs Execrs. Admrs. or assigns And the said Stirling Ruffin and Alice his Wife do by these presents for themselves their and each of their Heirs Exors Admrs. or Assigns Warrant unto the said James Wright his Heirs Excrs. Admrs. or Assigns forever

the said tract or parcel of land with the Appetinances against the claim or right of them the said Stirling Ruffin and Alice his Wife their and each of their Heirs, Excrs. Admrs. or assigns, and against the claim or claims of all and every other person or persons whatsoever In Witness whereof we the above parties to these presents have hereunto sett our hands and Affixed our Seals the Day and Year first above written

Signed Sealed & delivered) Stirling Ruffin
in presence of) Alice Ruffin
Tho: Roane
Thos Wright
John Minter
Jas Allen

At a Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 20th Day of January 1800. This Deed Indented from Sterling Ruffin & Alice his wife to James Wright was proved by the Oaths of Thos. Wright, John Minter & James Allen, three of the Witnesses to the same subscribed and Ordered to be recorded

Teste
John P: Lee Clk"

On February 7, 1800, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 35/184 James Wright sold to Thomas Wright 81 acres of the land purchased by Essex County Deed 32/372:

"This Indenture made this 17th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred by and between James Wright of the County of Essex, and Thomas Wright of the County aforesaid, of the other part, Witnesseth that the said James Wright, for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and one pounds ten shillings to him in hand paid, by the said Thomas Wright, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and allow myself to be fully satisfyd, have granted bargained & sold, Alien'd enfeeof'd and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien enfeeof and confirm, unto the said Thomas Wright, his heirs and assigns forever all my right and title to a tract of Land Lying and being in the County aforesaid, being part of the Land, formerly ownd, by Hugh Willsons legatees, containing by Estimation eighty one Acres and bounded as follows Beginning at a Gum Corner to John Minter, thence a long the dividing line between John Minter and the said land to a pine at the Roade, thence along the Roade to Hailes Bridge, thence up the Mill Swamp, to where the western branch makes in the said Swamp, thence up the western branch to the beginning to have and to hold, the said land with all previledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtaining and allso the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders thereof to the said Thomas Wright unto his Heirs and Assigns forever to the only use and behoof of the said Thomas Wright. And James Wright for himself and his Heirs doth covenant and agree to and with the

said Thomas Wright and his Heirs, that he and they shall and may at all times hereafter quietly and peaceably hold and enjoy the said land and premises with the appurtenances free and clear, from all former, sales, Gifts, Grants, mortgages, rights, of dowers or any other incumbrances whatsoever the said James Wright for himself shall and will warrent and forever defend, the said granted land and premises, with the appurtenances, unto the said Thomas Wright and his heirs forever, against him the said James Wright and his heirs that shall lay any claim or title thereunto in witness whereof the said James Wright have hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year as above written

Sign'd seal'd and delivered) James Wright
in presence of)
John Crow
Philip Howerton
John Minter
James Allen

At an Intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock, on the 17th day of February 1800.

This deed Indented from James Wright to Thomas Wright, was proved by Philip Howerton, John Minter and James Allin, three of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded

Teste
Jno. P. Lee Clk"

The 1800 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 2d Copy	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks between 12 & 16
	James Wright	1	8	3

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amot Tax D C
6					5.56

The 1800 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
James Wright			366	4/6}	}	
			301	" }	151.1.6}	2.62

This record reflects the purchase in 1800 of 301 acres of land by Essex County Deed 35/172 and the sale in 1800 of 81 acres of land by Essex County Deed 35/184.

The 1801 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 1st Copy	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	James Wright	1	8	3

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt of Tax D C
6					5.56

The 1801 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

2d copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
James Wright			667	"	151.1.6	2.42

This record reflects a consolidation of the two parcels into one and indicates that the two parcels were adjacent to each other.

The 1802 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 2d Copy	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks betw: 12 & 16
	James Wright	1	10	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt Tax D. C.
7					6.12

The 1802 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

3d copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
James Wright			667	Avgd	151.1.6	2.42

The 1803 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 3d Copy	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	James Wright	1	11	1

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt Tax D. C.
7					6.12

The 1803 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

4th copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
James Wright			667	Avgd	151.1.6	2.42

The 1804 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 2d Copy	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	James Wright	1	11	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	Rates of Covering	Amt. of Tax D. C.
6					6.44

The 1804 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
James Wright			667	Avgd	151.1.6	2.42

The 1805 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 2d Copy	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	James Wright	1	12	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt. of Tax D. Cents
7					7.00

The 1805 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, has not as yet been located.

The 1806 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	James Wright	1	12	4

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt. Tax D. Cents
7					7.88

The 1806 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	No of lotts	yearly rent of lotts	quanty of land	price pr acre	amot of land exclusive of lotts £ S d	amot. tax dollars cents
James Wright			667	average	151.1.6	2.42

The 1807 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	James Wright	1	10	5

Horses &c	Carriiages	Ord Licence	No Sd horses	rates of Covering	Amt. Tax D. C.
5	1 Chair				8.06

The 1807 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	no of lotts	yearly Rent of Lotts	Quty of Land	price pr Acre	amt. Land Exusive of Lotts	Amt of Tax Doll. Cents
James Wright			667	avgd	151.1.6	2.42

In 1808 no Land Tax was imposed and no Land Tax List was prepared.

On January 5, 1809, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 37/441 James Wright purchased from John Stodghill and Mary Stodghill 106 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 5th day of January in the year of our our lord one thousand eight hundred and nine between John Stodghill of Kentucky and Mary Stodghill of Virginia and County of Essex of the one part and James Wright of the

County of Essex and state of Virginia of the other part Witnesseth that the said John Stodghill and Mary Stodghill his mother for and in consideration of the sum of Five hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said James Wright, the receipt we do hereby acknowledge we the said John Stodghill and Mary Stodghill have granted bargained sold aliened Enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien Enfeoff and confirm unto the said James Wright and his heirs and assigns forever one certain tract or parcell of land lying in the County of Essex containing by estimation one hundred and six acres be the same more or less bounded as follows beginning at a pine stump in Greenwoods line thence to the head of a branch thence down the said branch in Greenwoods line to the middle branch, down the said middle branch to Roades Greenwoods line thence along the said line of marked trees to a large white oak thence in a direct line by a marked black oak to the mill run thence up the said Mill run, dividing line between Haile and Stodghill to a small branch dividing line between Stodghill and the said Wright thence up the said branch to a white oak thence to the beginning as followeth with all Houses gardens orchards fences and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtaining to have and to hold the said tract or parcell of land with all the appertenances unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever to the only proper use and behoof of him the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever. The said John Stodghill and Mary Stodghill doth covenant agree to and with the said James Wright & his heirs that he and they may and shall and at all times hereafter Quietly and peacibly Hold and enjoy the said granted land and premises, with the appertinances, free and clear from all former sales gifts grants mortgages rights of dowers, or any other incumberances whatsoever, the said John Stodghill and Mary Stodghill, for themselves shall and will warrant and forever defend the said granted land and premises with the appurtenances unto the said James Wright and his heirs forever against them and their heirs, that shall lay any claim or title thereto. In witness whereof the said John Stodghill and Mary Stodghill have hereunto set their hands and seals the date above written.

Signed Sealed & delivered) John Stodghill
in presence of) her
Lewis Dix Mary X Stodghill
John Minter mark
Leroy Broocks
Ambrose Hunley
his
William X Brooks
mark
James Allen Senr.
Thomas Wright
Thos Dix
Edward B Wood

The word have in the twenty third line interlined before Sign.d

At an Intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 16th day of January 1809. This Deed indented from John Stodghill and Mary Stodghill to James Wright was proved by the oaths of Leroy Brooks William Brooks and Thomas Wright three of the Witnesses thereto subscribed and ordered to be recorded.

Test
John P. Lee Clk"

The 1809 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16	Horses &c	Carriages
James Wright	1	12	4	5	1 Chair

Ord Licence	Stud Horses	Rates of Covering	Amt Tax Dolls Cents
			8.50

The 1809 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons Names chargeable with the tax	No of lotts	yearly Rent of Lotts	Quan-tity of Land	price per acre	Amount of Land exclusive of Lotts	Amount of Tax Doll. Cents
James Wright		667	Avd	504.58}		
" from Stodghills		106	4/6	79.50}	2.42	

This record reflects the purchase in 1809 of 106 acres by Essex County Deed 37/441.

The 1810 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Persons Names	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16	Horses	Carriages	Stud Horses
James Wright	1	15	2	5		

Rates of Covering	Amount of Tax C C
	8.08

The 1810 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons Names chargeable with the tax	No of Lotts	Yearly Rent of Lotts D C	Quan-tity of Land	price per acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amount Tax D C
James Wright			773	avgd	584.00	2.80

This record reflects a consolidation of the two parcels into one and indicates that the two parcels were adjacent to each other.

The 1810 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Name of Head of Family	Free White Males	Age	Free White Female	Age	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
James Wright	1	45+				34
	1	16-26				

The 1811 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	W Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks bet 12 and 16	Horses	Carriages
James Wright	1	13	2	4	1 Chair

No Stud Horses	Rates of Covering	Amt Tax Dol & Cents
		7.90

The 1811 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons names chargeable with the tax	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	quan-tity of land	price per Acre	Amount of land exclu-sive of lotts	Amount Tax Dolls Cents
James Wright			773	avgd	584.00	2.80

The 1812 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Persons Names	Whites	Blacks	Blks Betwn 12 & 16	Horses	Carriages	Studs
James Wright	1	13	4	4	1 Gigg	

Rates of Covering	Amount
	8.72

The 1812 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons names Chargeable with the Tax	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lots	Quan-tity of Land	Price per Acre	Amt. of Land exclu-sive of Lots	Amt of Tax Dolls Cents
James Wright			773	avgd	584.00	2.80

The 1813 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Persons Names	Doctors	Lawyers	Whites	Blacks	Blacks between 12 & 16	Horses
James Wright			1	15	4	5

Carriages	Saw Value	Mills	Tan Value	Yards	Coal Value	Pitts	Value	Mills	Value

Stud horses	Price	Amt of Tax D	C
		10.83	

The 1813 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Persons names Chargeable	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Quan-tity of Land	price per Acre	Amount of Land exclu-sive of Lots D	C	Amount of Tax C	C
James Wright			773	avgd	584.00		3.73	

The will of James Wright was dated on January 23, 1813, and a codicil was dated on March 29, 1813, both were probated on January 17, 1814, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 17/510 and provided as follows:

"In the name of God Amen I James Wright of the County of Essex do make this my last Will and testament I give to Thomas Wright son of Benjamin Wright all that tract of land wereon I now live also one negro Boy named Essex to him and his heirs forever

I give to Edward Wright all my other land that I purchased of Wilson, Ruffin and Stodghil also one negroe man named Samson one named Ambrose one Negroe woman named Winney one negroe girl named Polley and one negroe boy named Page and Patrick and Arthur Banks and Sharper to him and his heirs forever

I give to Griffin Wright one negroe woman named Violet and Children mariah and Malitda Boys Bartley and ned Henry Clary and Children named Elisha and Ennis and mattilda Sarah and Child named Cordelia and one negroe boy named Moses one negroe Boy named owen to him and his heirs forever

I give to Matthew Cox one negroe man named Glauster one negroe woman named phebe and three Children named Carter and Julia and the youngest unnamed to him and his heirs forever.

I leave to Lewis Dix in trust for Thomas Dix sen and Sally his wife two negroes names Ursula and Isack for their use and benefit during both their lives and after their deaths I give the same two negroes to Lewis Dix forever

I give to Susanna Dix one Negroe woman named Amey and Child named Shamus

I give to Caty Dix one Negroe man named Armstead

I give to Salley Wood one negroe girl named Anna

I ive to Caty Harper one negroe woman named Chloe and fifty pounds

the remaing part of my estate I desire to be sold on six months Credit by my executors and after paying my just debts divide the bonds as follows. Equally between John Gatewood malley Gill Sally ransom and the surviving Children of Thomas wright Decd if to be found - lastly I appoint Thomas Wright and Edward Wright Executors to this my las Will and testament - In Witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal the twenty third day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirteen

Signed Sealed and deli-) James Wright
vered in presence of)
James Allen Ser
Lewis Moody
Lewis Allen

I give to Edward Wright all the tools that Samson works with of every description like wise all the house hold and kitchen furniture that Samson has in possession

Test March 29 1813
James Allen James Wright

At an Intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 17th day of Jany 1814 This last Will and Testament of James Wright decd with the Codicil to the same annexed were brought into court by Thomas Wright and Edward Wright the nominal executors thereby appointed, and offered for proof. Whereupon the Will aforesaid was proved by the oaths of James Allen Senr Lewis Moody and Lewis Allen the subscribing Witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded, and the Codicil aforesaid was proved by the oath of James Allen the Witness thereto and also ordered to be Recorded And upon this on the motion of the said Thomas Wright and Edward Wright a certificate was granted them in order to their obtaining probate of the said Will and codicil in due form, they having taken the oath required by law, and entered into and acknowledged a Bond in a penalty and with security approved by the Court and conditioned as required by Law which Bond was also ordered to be Recorded

Teste
Jno. P. Lee Clk"

The inventory and appraisement of the estate of James Wright was made on January 21, 1814, and filed on July 14, 1814, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 18/47:

"Inventory and appraismt of the Estate of Jas. Wright Decd 21 january 1814

Samson	£100 .- .-
Ambrose	120 .- .-
Moses	150 .- .-
Vilet	50 .- .-
Sarah & child Cordelia	120 .- .-
Mildred Sarahs youngest child	15 .- .-
Mariah	80 .- .-
Henry	75 .- .-
Bartley	70 .- .-
Ned	35 .- .-
Malinda	40 .- .-
Essex	120 .- .-
Sharper	" ." ."
Gloster	100 .- .-
Armsted	135 .- .-
Amy	80 .- .-
Feby	50 .- .-
Owen	120 .- .-
Ursula	80 .- .-
Anney	80 .- .-
Carter	80 .- .-
Isaac	80 .- .-
Julia	50 .- .-
Harriot	15 .- .-
Dennis	60 .- .-
Lusinda	30 .- .-
Braxton	10 .- .-
Clary	90. - .-
Ennis	50. - .-
Eliza	60. - .-
Matilda	30 .- .-
Sthreshley	15 .- .-
13 flag Chairs	1.16.0
parcel of old silver	6.12.0
1 Desk	2. 8.-
1 Walnut Table	1.16.-
3 Trunks	2. 8.-
1 Gun	12. 8.-
1 Looking Glass	1.16.-
1 large Bible	1.10.-
Gutries Grammer	1. 4.-
Baileys Dictionary	12.-
parcel window glass	7.6

5 Razers 1 Hone & Strop	18.-
1 Comb & brush	3.-
1 pare money scales	7.6
2 pocket Knives & Scissors	6.0
1 Bed & furniture	10. - .-
1 pare Spectacles	3 .-
1 Tin Box & blue stone	.9
8 phials & Contents	6 .-
Nuns thread	2 .-
parcel old Books	18 .-
1 Toster	1 .6
And Irons & Tongs	9 .-
40 Earthern plates	1. 4 .-
4 Small Bowls	6 .-
1 Bowl Cups & Saucers	18 .-
4 Earthern Dishes	12 .-
2 pitchers & Coffee pot	3 .-
1 Tureen &c	12 .-
1 pare salt stands	3 .-
2 Decanters	4 .6
1 Silver Ladle	1.16 .-
11 Table silver spoons	3 .6 .-
11 Ditto Tin	1 .4 .-
2 Bowls & small mug	0 .3 .6
3 Glass Tumblars & nine glass	3 .-
1 jug & Honey	5 .-
1 Glass Bottle of beefs gall	2 .-
3 jugs	12 .-
parcel of leather	1 .6
2 mugs &c	1 .6
1 pound of Salts	1 .6
Carried up and Contd	
Brought over and contd	
1 Quart pot funnel &c	£0. 4.6
1 Bottle Caster oil	9.-
10 Quart Bottles	10.-
1 Stein pot	2.-
2 Tin Coffee pots	7.6
1 pot & Salts	6.-
powder & Shot	6.-
Hammer Chizels &c	0.4.6
1 Bed bord	3.-
2 wash bowls	3.-
parcel brunstone	.9
1 Sugar Dish & mug	2.-

4 Basins	1.4.-
parcel old puter	4.-
½ pound pepper	1.6
parcel Bul Hinges	5.0
parcel Gun powder	3.-
parcel Ginger	1.6
1 Lock with brass nobs	9.-
2 yards Brown Holland	6.-
1 Tea Cannister	3.0
3 Barrels	7.6
1 case & Bottles	9.-
10 Knives forks & Box	1.4.-
1 Bed & furniture	10. -.-
1 Ditto	10. -.-
1 Ditto	10. -.-
1 Ditto	10. -.-
1 Chest	0. 7.6
5 Sheets	4. 4.-
4 Chamber pots	6.-
2 Desk Covers	10.-
2 Sheets	15.-
1 Chest & Contents	18.-
3 Trunks	3. 0.-
1 Chest & Tallar	2. - .-
1 Wire sive	9.-
1 pare Steelyards	6.-
2 old Hoes & Colter	6.-
2 pare wedges	£12.-
1 Grid Iron & trivet	7.6
1 pare sad Irons	7.6
3 Tea Kettles	6.-
1 Bread Baker	6.-
4 Candlesticks & Snuffers	4.-
2 Spiders	6.-
1 Bell mettle skillet	15.-
Flesh fork & Ladle	4.6
3 Dutch Ovens	1.16.-
Tongs & Shovel	9.-
4 Iron pots	1.10.-
wire sifter & Box	9.-
10 puter basons	3. 0.0
3 puter Dishes & 8 plates	1.10.-
1 jug & Cullender	2.-
1 large trivet	2.-
1 large Iron pot	1. 4.-

1 Spice Morter	4.-
2 pot Racks	18.-
1 Safe	15.-
3 Earthern Dishes	12.-
2 pare and Irons	12.-
parcel Cards	12.-
2 Spining Wheels	1. 4.-
1 Chearn	4.6
parcel Wood Ware	16.-
Grater Coffee pot &c	5.-
1 puter bason	3.-
2 Trays	3.-
2 Barrels	4.-
5 meal Bags	10.-
1 Small Bag of hops	3.-
1 square Walnut Table	9.-
1 jug & oil	3.-
3 axes	18.-
3 Grubing Hoes	18.-
2 Bread Hoes & hiling hoe	12.-
2 Scythes & Cradles	1.10.-
Carried up and continued	
Brought up and continued	
1 pit Saw	£1. 4.0
Salt pork @ 48/ pr 100#	33. 0.0
1 ox chane & narrow ax	10.-
Wheat @ 4/6 pr Bus 11 bus	2. 9.6
peas @ 2/6 pr Bus. 31 bus	3.17.6
1 Tub & beans	3.0
3 old Tubs	6.0
Beef @ 6d pr lb 147¾	3.14.1½
4 Hogsheads	1.4.-
13 Sheep @ 18/ p: Sheep	13.10.-
1 Cart & Turnbril	7.4.-
1 narrow ax	5.-
6 Cow hides	3.-
4 Sheep Skins	8.-
1 Drawing Knife	2.-
Single yoke & 1/2 Share	6.-
Halter & Chane	3.-
2 pare traces & Harnes	1.-.-
1 Frow, Howel & Chizels	9.-
3 Swingle trees &c	12.-
1 Bell Bridle & Martin gill	6.-
2 Skimmers	15.-

1 Tan Tub & 2 Barrels	15.-
1 Lanton & hand saw	6.-
plough & hoe	9.-
1 long jointer	1.-
1 Still & 2 Caps	9. -.-
1 Ditto & 1 Cap	9. -.-
Cart wheel fellows at 6/ pr set 6 Set	1.16.-
Bag & Salt	1. 4.-
2 Tubs & 1/2 Bushel	6.-
1 peace of steel	7.6
1 Bay Horse	9. -.-
1 Rone Colt	12. -.-
220 Corn @ 12/ p. Barl.	132. -.-
Top fodder @ 9d p. foot	3. 0.0
Shuks	3.15.-
Short Corn @ 6/ p. barl	7 .1.-
1 Stack of oats	3. -.-
Seed Cotton @ 4d½ pr lb	3. 6.-
1 Grind stone	£0.6.0
7 lite Casks	2.2.-
2 Ditto	12.-
4 large tile basks	1.16.-
3 Kegs of paint	18.-
3 Chamber pots	6.-
old Box & nails	3.-
7 pots of lard	9.-.-
parcel of Lime	1.4.-
4 Hogsheads	1.-.-
6 old Barrels	12.-
Tar & Barrel	12.-
parcel of Leather	9.-
1 Side of Leather	1.1.-
5 Brick Moulds	3.-
1 Stone pot & pitcher	6.-
3 jugs & Tar Bucket	10.6
2 pots & Butter	1.4.-
1 Stone pot & puter Dish	7.-
small Barrel & nails	4.-
1 Chest &c	14.-
Tar Tub	1.6
9 Corn Brooms	3.-
Irish potatoes @ 3/ p Bus ...	
Sweet potatoes at the same ...	
Cider 9d p: Galn ...	
Iron pot & old hoe	4.-

1 Bottle of oil	2.-
3 Towels & Table Cloths	12.-
3 Spining Wheels	1.16.-
2 Saddles	2.-.-
1 Cross Cut Saw	1.16.-
3 pare of Cards	12.-
1 Steel Spindle	1.6
1 pare steel yards	12.-
2 Augers Chizels & Drawing Knife	8.-
1 hand saw	12.-
2 Ox chains	18.-
1 Chearn	3.-
5 Axes	1.16.-
9 Sheep	6.15.-
Card. up and continued	
Brought over and continued	
5 Hogs	£9.0.0
2 Sows & 8 Shoats	5.8.0
2 Iron pots & Hooks	18.-
1 small piggin	1.-
5 new weading hoes	2.5.-
11 old Hoes	1.4.-
1 Grubing Hoe	6.-
5 pare of Harnes	16.-
3 pare of trace chains & 3 Swingletrees	1.10.-
3 plough Hoes & 3 Colters	15.-
4 new Trowel Hoes	1.12.-
2 Skimmers	12.-
1 Spade & Hammer	4.6
1½ Bushel & Basket	6.-
3 pare of leading lines	4.6
1 Wheat Fan	8.-.-
1 Hogshead of Tobacco	6.-.-
1 Tar Barrel	12.-
4 ploughs & Hoes	1.10.-
1 Doz. Reap hooks	1.4.-
6 Scythes & Cradles	4.10.-
1 old pit Saw	6.-
1 Bar Iron	1.8.-
1 pare of old Cart wheels	1.4.-
3 Rum Hogs heads	18.-
6 Casks	1.7.-
1 Raw Hide	12.-
5 old Hogsheads	1.-.-
1 Wire Sifter	6.-

2 old Barrels	3.-
3 Meal bags	6.-
1 Grind Stone	15.-
1 Sorrel Horse	15.-.-
1 Bay Mare	5.-.-
1 White Horse	1.-.-
1 Cart	7.10.-
1 pare of Sheep shairs	3.-
3 Yoke of oxen	30.-.-
18 head of Cattle	54.-.-
1 Stack of blade fodder	£1.4.0
1 pare of Iron wedges	9.-
5 blade Stacks in Greenwood fieald	12.-.-
1 Ditto in Wilsons	2.8.-
6 Baskets	12.-
1 yoke of oxen	10.-.-
1 long plane	1.6
7 Turkeys	1.8.-
9 hens & 3 cocks	9.-
1 Bull	5.-.-
3 Cows	13.10.-
3 Calves	4.10.-
parcel of leather rope & 1/2 Bus	8.-
1 large Corn Chest	6.-
parcel of walnut plank at 6d p foot	4.6
3 big Hogs	4.16.-
5 Shoats	2.-.-
2 Stone pots	5.-
1 Sheep skin	3.-
parcel of Clamps	12.-
parcel Blade fodder	3.-.-
Walnut scantling @ 9d pr foot 5 feet	4.6
1 plough & Hoe	6.-
Oake Shingles @ 18/ pr 100	6.-

The within is a true Inventory of the estate of James Wright Decd.

Thos. Wright
Edward Wright

The above Inventory and appraisement of the personal Estate of James Wright deceased was taken on the 21st of Jany. 1814 in conformity to an order of Essex County Court to us directed.

Jno. E. Crow
John Jones
Joseph Burnett

At an intervening Court held for Essex county at Tappa. on the 18th day of July 1814

This Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of James Wright decd was returned and ordered to be Recorded

Teste
John P Lee Clk"

The 1814 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, did not list James Wright, but did list Thomas Wright and Edward Wright with land transferred to them from James Wright in accordance with James Wright's will.

On July 18, 1814, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 18/51 an accounting for the estate of James Wright was filed by Thomas Wright and Edward Wright:

"Dr The Estate of James Wright decd (Executorship Acct)
with Thos Wright & Edward Wright

1814			
Jany 30	To Cash paid funeral expenses p. acct	No 1	£1.16.0
Feby 3	To ditto R. Smith pr acct & rect	2	17.6
12	To Cash pd R G Haile p acct & rect	3	5.14.0
20	To Cash pd Dr Brockenbrough pr acct & rect	4	16.6
21	To Cash pd F. S. Crow pr acct & rect	5	2.10.0
23	To Cash pd Griffin Wright pr acct & rect	6	1.16.0
	To Cash pd T. Gresham pr acct & rect	7	1.10.0
25	To Cash pd A. Hunley pr acct rect	8	2.16.0
	To Thos Wright for crying the estate at W. Balls sale where the negroes were sent to effect an advantageous sale 12/		9.12.0
	Do for furnishing appraisers & the company at the sale with spirit &c &c 9:0:0		
	To T Wright for his B. Smith acct No	10	1.19.6
	To Do Do	11	4.17.3
	To Do for hire Negro p acct	12	80.0.0
	To Do for services rendd p acct	13	420.0.0

	To amt Com at 6 pr Ct on £682:4:1¼	40.18.8
		£575.3.5
	To Balance p: contra due the estate	107.0.87¼
		£682.4.1¼
1814	Cr	
Jany 31	By amt sales made agreeable to the will as pr acct herewith	677.11.2¼
	By Cash found in the house	2.16.3
	By Cash recd of L Dix for Costs in the suit of S. Dix vs J. Wrights exors	1.16.7½
		£682.4.1¼
By balance due the estate in the hands of the exors		$107.0.8¼

Pursuant to an order from the County Court of Essex dated the 17 Jany 1814 We the undersigned Commissioners have this day settled the executorship acct of Thos Wright & Edward Wright Executors of James Wright decd & after examination of all the acct Sales of the said Estate & the Vouchers presented to us find a balance due the said estate from the said executors of One hundred & Seven pounds & eight pence one farthing, which sum agreeable to the terms of the sale is to be paid by them, agreeable to the Will of the said James Wright after the thirty first day of this month, that being the day which the Bonds taken for the sale of the said estate became due is subject neverthelessto such other claims as are yet against the said Estate which have not been presented for payment: the said Executors having represented that some few others accts are yet unsettled but which they could not get in in time for the present Settlement. Given under our hands this 15th day of July 1814.

Laurence Muse
John Jones
Jno. E. Crow

At an intervening court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 18th day of July 1814. This account of the settlement of Thomas and Edward Wrights executorship of the will & administration of the estate of James Wright decd was returned examined by the Court and admitted except the debit of four hundred and twenty pounds to Thomas Wright, and in the place of that debit the charge of Three hundred Dollars was allowed as a proper debit to the said Thomas Wright and as admissable in favor of the executors and the said settlement was approved with such amendment and ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
John P Lee Clk"

On October 31, 1818, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/645 William Wright, Elizabeth Glenn, and her husband William Glenn, all of Union District, South Carolina,

sold to Josiah Wright of Warren County, Kentucky, their interest in the estate of James Wright:

"State of South Carolina Union District

Know all men by these presents that we William Wright William Glenn & Elizabeth his wife Daughte of Thomas Wright Decd. formerly of the County of Cumberland & State of Virginia for and in consideration of the sum of one Hundred & fifty Dollars to us paid by Josiah Wright of Warren County Kentucky have Bargained sold and Relinquished all our right title Interest & Legacy, in & to us arrising by virtue of the last Will & Testament of James Wright of Essex County Virginia & by these presents do relinquish all our right Title & Interest to the same, as two of the representatives of Thos. Wright Decd. and hereby impowing him the said Josiah Wright his Heirs Executors or representatives to collect sue for & recover by all legal means our right & Interest in the said Legacy as two of the representatives of said Thomas Wright as witness our hands & seals this 31st Oct. 1818

Test	Wm Wright
Abraham Stephens	Wm Glenn

Essex County Court Office 18th November 1818.

This instrument of writing from William Wright and William Glenn to Josiah Wright was this day proved in my Office by the oath of Abraham Stephens the subscribing Witness thereto and admitted to Record

Teste
Wm. B. Matthews Clk"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed the following information regarding 1814 James Wright:

"James Wright (b.cir 1742 d. 1814 about 72 years old)

Here is the first Wright bachelor who for some seventy years or more withstood the lure of matrimony. James was one of his father's Executors along with his brother's Ambrose and William in 1769. He was soon called on to assist his brother William (F), being not only his Administrator in 1772 but likewise the guardian of his infant son, Edward. In 1785 (D32-372) James bought 130 acres of land from Wilson and it joined Col. Thomas Roane and Benjamin Wright (H), his brother. Bachelor James Wright wrote his will in January, 1813, and it was recorded in January, 1814 (W5-510) in which he names neither wife or child He wills Thomas Wright (his nephew H- I) "the tract of land I now live on". He wills Edward Wright (his nephew F*I and for whom he was appointed guardian in 1772) "all my other lands". His other legacies consisting of slaves go to Griffin

Wright (his brother I) Mathew Cox (could be either the husband or son of either his sister Ann or Elizabeth but the records are silent); Susanna Dix (undoubtedly his sister who was Susannah Gatewood in both the wills of George 1679 and Elizabeth 1775, who after the death of the Gatewood husband had married a Dix, and yet the trust later named as for Thos. Dix Senr. and Sally his wife could be one and the same person); Caty Dix (the sister of Thomas Dix who names her brother Thos. Dix as deceased 1827 and Sally Dix his widow); Sally Wood (sister of Caty and Thomas Dix); Caty Harper (no record) "in trust with Lewis Dix for Thomas Dix Senr. and Sally his wife" (definitely beleived to be Sally Wright-Gatewood-Dix, his sister). James Wright also left a legacy to "surviving children of Thos. Wright Senr., (d) if to be found". (see both D above and M below for further explanation). Thomas Wright and Edward Wright were named Executors and they qualified as such. They were both nephews, son's respectively, of his brothers Benjamin Wright (H) and William Wright (F).

Thomas Wright lived at "Poplar Grove" in Essex County and Edward Wright lived at "Wrightsville", King and Queen County, Virginia. These two first cousins were each the only son of a son of the first George Wright. Each founded a branch of the Wright family, which, though there are intermarriages, each branch is called to this day either the "Wrightsville Wrights" or the "Poplar Grove Wrights"."

I. <u>1795/96 Benjamin Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Alfrica (Stuart) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

1795/96 Benjamin Wright of Essex County was a son of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright. (1769 George[1])

The will of George Wright dated September 29, 1760, and probated on December 18, 1769, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 12/378 listed Benjamin Wright as one of his sons:

> ". . . . my will and desire is that after my wife Decease that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given (viz) Lands Negroes and all other pos'ns my Goods & chattels be sold and the money arising by such sale to be equally Divided between my ten other children to wit James Wright William Wright Saml. Wright Benja. Wright Griffin Wright Richd Wright Stephen Wright Ann Cox Susannah Gatewood & Eliza Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that on September 16, 1765, at Essex County, Virginia, Court Order Book 26/243 Benjamin Wright was added to the list of tithables, indicating a date of birth in about 1749.

In her letter dated August 14, 1991, Dorothy Hankins enclosed a copy of genealogical notes by Mrs. Linnie Wright Barnett which included the following listing:

"Wright, Benjamin -

Benjamin Wright and Alrica his wife	Plts	)
against		) In case
Joseph Reeves	Def	)

Came the plaintiffs by John Semple their Attorney, and the defendant failing to appear altho' thrice solemnly called Judgment is therefore granted the Plaintiffs against the defendant for what shall appear to be due and the costs unless --

At a Court . . . . 21st day of March, 1769. Essex Order Book No. 27, 1767-70 p 198"

This record identifies Benjamin Wright's wife as Alrica (____) Wright and indicates that they were married before March 21, 1769.

The will of Elizabeth (____) Wright dated July 10, 1775, and probated on September 18, 1775, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 13/18 listed Benjamin Wright as one of her children:

". . . . Imprimis. I Give and bequeath to my son Benja Wright one Feather Bed and Furniture the bed that he hath now in Possession to him and his heirs forever . . . .

Item, my Will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given Vizt Lands and all other my Goods be sold and the Money Ariseing by such sale to be Equally Divided Between my seven Children to wit James Wright, Benjamin Wright Griffin Wright, Richard Wright Stephen Wright Susannah Gatewood Elizabeth Cox . . . ."

The 1782 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household:

	W Tithes	Negroes	Nett Cattle	Horses	Wheels
Benjn Wright, Job, Bob, January(?), Rose, Violet, Annaca(?)	1	16	19	4	

The 1782 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

Benjn Wright	370	370	4/	74.0

The transaction by which Benjamin Wright acquired this 370 acres of land has not as yet been located.

The 1784 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household:

List of Taxables in the 2d District taken by Newman Brockenbrough April 1784	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Total No Slaves	Nett Cattle
Benjamin Wright - Jobe, Frances January Rose, Violet Annaca Bob	1	2	7	21

Coverg Horses	Horses & Mules	Wheels	Ordy Licence
	4		

The 1785 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household:

	W Tithes	B Tithes	T Slaves	Horses & Mules
Benjamin Wright Annaca Bob, ____ Jack January Rose Violet Job	1	2	8	14

Cattle	C Horses	O Licenses	Wheels
16			

The 1786 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household:

	Tithe-ables	Under 16 Years	Horses	Cattle
Benjamin Wright, Job, January, & Rose, Primus Jack, Vilot, Anaca, & Bob 5 Horses 17 Cattle	4	5	5	17

Carriage Wheels	Ordinary Licenses	Land	Wheels

The 1787 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on May 21:

Date of receiving List from the Indi-viduals	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Names of free Male Titheables above 21 yrs	No of white males above 16 under 21 years
May 21	Benja Wright	Ben. Wright	1

Blacks above 16	Blacks under 16	Horses Mares &c	Cattle	Carriage Wheels	Ordy Licenses	Billiard Tables	Stud Horses
3	6	5	17				

Rates of Covering p Season	Practising Physicians

The 1787 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

Proprietors Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty. of Land	price p. Acre	Amt of Land exclusive of Lots	Amt. Tax
Benjn Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	1.13.10

The 1788 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on April 12:

date of receiving lists from individuals	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	Tithes Subject County Levy: White Males over 16	Blacks exempted	Blacks over 16	Blacks between 12 & 16
April 12	Benjamin Wright	2		4	1

Horses &c	Carri-ages	Ordy Licenses	Stud Horses: Number	Rate of Covering p Season	Practisg physicians &c
4					

The 1788 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

Proprietors Names	No of Lots	Yearly rent of Lots	Qty. of Land	price p Acre	Amot of Land exclusive of Lots	Amot Tax
Benjamin Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	1.13.10

The 1789 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on April 21:

Time receiving Lists	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	Titheables: White Males over 16	Blacks over 16	Blacks between 12 & 16
April 21	Benjn. Wright	2	5	1

Horses &c	Carri-ages	Ordy Licenses	Stud Horses: Number	Rates of Covering p Season	Practisg physicians &c
4	1 Chair				

The 1789 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

Proprietors Names	No of Lots	yearly rent of Lots	Qty of Land	price pr Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lots	Amt. Tax
Benjamin Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	1.13.4

The 1790 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on May 31:

Time receiving Lists	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Males over 16	Blacks over 16	Blacks between 12 & 16
May 31	Benjn. Wright	2	5	1

Horses &c	Carri-ages	Ordy Licenses	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Rates of Covering p Season	Practisg physicians &c
5					

The 1790 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

Proprietors Names	No of Lots	Yearly rent of Lots	Qty of Land	price p. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lots	Amt. Tax
Benjamin Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	1.13.10

The 1791 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on April 28:

Time of receivg Lists	Persons names charge-able with the Tax	Wht Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks betw 12 & 16
April 28	Benjn Wright	2	5	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. Licenses	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses rates of covering p Season
5	1 Charr			

The 1791 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

Copy the 3d Proprietors Names	No of Lots	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Am.t Tax 1½ p Cent
Benja. Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	1.13.10

On December 26, 1791, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 33/392 Benjamin Wright purchased from Humphrey and Phebe Ball 76½ acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 26th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one Between Humphrey Ball and Phebe Ball his wife of the County of Essex of the one part and Benjamin Wright of the same County of the other part Witnesseth that the said Humphrey Ball and Phebe Ball his wife for and in the consideration of the sum of Thirty eight pounds five Shillings Current money to them in hand paid by the said Benjamin Wright the receipt whereof We the said Humphery Ball and Phebe Ball his wife doth hereby acknowledge. We the said Humphery Ball and Phebe Ball his wife have granted bargained Sold Aliened Enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do grant Bargain Sell Alien Enfeoff and confirm unto the said Benjamin Wright and his heirs and assigns forever one certain Tract or parcel of Land lying in the County aforesaid containing Seventy Six and a half Acres Runing as followeth. Begining at Corner white oak over the road on Coxes land runing thence along the road 90 ps. corner to Cox, Wright and Roane, thence along Roanes line N. 69½ E 40 poles near the head of a branch thence down the said branch 122 ps. to the Mill pond thence up the said Mill pond to Chamberlains line, thence along the said line S. 8 East 158 ps. to the begining. As followeth with all Houses Gardens, Orchards Fences and appertenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtaining to have and to hold the said Tract or parcel of land with all the appertenances unto the said Benjamin Wright his Heirs and Assigns forever to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Benjamin Wright his heirs and assigns forever the said Humphery Ball and Phebe Ball his wife doth covenant and agree to and with the said Benjamin Wright that we the said Humphery Ball and Phebe Ball and our heirs the above sold Land and premises to the said Benjamin Wright and his Assigns for ever shall and will Warrant and by these presence for ever defend against Clame of any person or persons Whatsoever In

Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals the day and year above written.

Sign'd Seal'd and deli-	)	Humphrey Ball
vered In presence of	)	her
William Jones	)	Phebe X Ball
Joseph Burnett		mark
James Wright		
John Coleman		

Received this 26th Day of December One thousand seven hundred and Ninety one the sum of Thirty eight pounds and five shillings Current money of Virginia it being the Consideration within mentioned

Witness	Humphrey Ball
William Jones	
James Wright	

At a Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 16th Day of July 1792

This deed Indented from Humphrey Ball and Phebe his wife to Benjamin Wright was acknowledged by the said Humphrey and Phebe to be their proper act and deed (the said Phebe having been first privily examined and voluntarily assenting thereto) and ordered to be recorded, the receipt hereon endorsed was also acknowledged by the said Humphrey Ball to be his proper act and deed and ordered to be recorded.

Test
M. T. Lee Clk

1801 May 29th

I Thomas Wright sole heir of Benjamin Wright have recieved the Deed Recorded opposite hereto from Humphrey Ball & Wife to the said Benjamin Wright

Teste	Thomas Wright
__ Haih junr"	

The 1792 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on May 26:

Time of receiving lists	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks betw 12 & 16
May 26	Benjn Wright	2	4	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. License	Stud Horses Number	Rates of Covering p Season
4	1 Chair			

The 1792 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

2d. Copy Proprietors Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. Tax @ 5% p £100
Benja. Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	5.8

The 1793 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on May 26:

Time of receiving lists	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks between 12 & 16
May 24	Benjn Wright	2	5	1

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. License	Stud Horses No.	Rates of Covering p Season
5	1 Chair			

The 1793 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

1st Copy Proprietors names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. Tax @ 5%
Ben: Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	
" fro Humpy Ball			77	4/6	17. 6. 0	6.7

This record reflects the purchase in 1791 of 76½ acres of land by Essex County Deed 33/392.

The 1794 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on June 17:

Time of receiving the Lists 2d List	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks between 12 & 16
June 17	Benjn Wright	2	5	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ordy. License	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses Rates of Covering p Season
5	1 Chair			

The 1794 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

4th Copy Proprietors Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax
Ben: Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	
" fro H. Ball			77	4/6	17. 6. 6	6.7

The 1795 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on May 8:

Time of receiving the Lists 4th Copy	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tiths	Black Tiths	Blks between 12 & 16
May 8	Benjn Wright	1	6	1

Horses &c	Carriages	Ordy. Licenses	Bild. Tables	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Rates of Covering p Season
3	1 Chair				

The 1795 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

3rd Copy Proprietors Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price p. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax
Benjn. Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	
" fro H. Ball			77	4/6	17. 6. 6	6.7

The 1796 and later Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, did not list a Benjamin Wright.

The absence of Benjamin Wright from the 1796 and later Personal Property Tax Lists and, as set forth below, the increase in the personal property of Benjamin Wright's only son Thomas Wright from 2 slaves and no chair on May 8 in the 1795 Personal Property Tax List to 9 slaves and 1 chair on May 5 in the 1796 Personal Property Tax Lists indicates that Benjamin Wright probably died after May 8, 1795, and before May 5, 1796.

The 1796 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

2d. Copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price p. Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. Tax
Ben: Wright			370	6/1	112.10.10	
" fro H. Ball			77	4/6	17. 6. 6	6.7

The 1797 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price p Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt Tax @ 5%
Benja. Wright			447	Avgd.	129.17.4	6.7

This record reflects a consolidation of the two parcels into a single parcel, indicating that they were located adjacent to each other.

The 1798 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, did not list a Benjamin Wright, but did list Thomas Wright owning the 447 acres of land previously taxed to Benjamin Wright. This record indicates that Benjamin Wright had died by early 1798 and his property had passed to his son Thomas Wright.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed the following information about Benjamin Wright:

> "Benjamin Wright Family record shows he married Alfrica Stuart in In 1791 (D 33-392) Humphrey Ball sold 76½ acres to Benjamin Wright of Essex County; and it joined Cox, Wright and Roane; and the deed was witnessed by James Wright. On the margin of this Deed Book under the date of May 29, 1801, in this entry - "I, Thomas Wright, sole heir at law of Benjamin Wright have received this deed s/Thomas Wright."

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the child of Benjamin Wright and Alfrica or Alrica (Stuart) Wright was the following:

1) Thomas Wright, born on July 27, 1769.

1. <u>1840 Thomas Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County was a son of 1795/96 Benjamin Wright of Essex County and Alfrica (Stuart) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Marriages

George Wright was married to Susan Jones on the 17th of January 1816
Thomas Wright Jr. and Mary D. Jones were married on Wednesday the 21st of February 1821
Thomas Wright Jr. and Mary E. Shepherd were married on Thursday 22nd September 1825
Thomas Wright Jr. and Mrs. Ann M. Noel were married on Tuesday the 15th May 1827
James Wright and Judith E Mann were married on Thursday 31st May 1827
Ro. Wright and Martha A. Waring were married on Wednesday the 11th Dec. 1828
E. M. Jones and Mary E Wright were married on Thursday the 13 Sept 1832
Charles H. S. Wright and Lucinda Gresham were married on Tuesday 20th of December 1836
Edwd L Wright and Mary A. Jones were married _-th Oct 1843

Births

Sally
Selden Stuart Wright son of Thomas Wright Jr. and Mary D. his wife (daughter of Capt. John Jones decd) was born the 7th day of March 1822
Sally Waller Wright daughter of the same was born on monday night the 8th of September 1823
Thomas Wright (Younger) son of Thos Wright Jr and Mary E his wife was born 22nd June 1826
George Wright son of Thomas Wright senior and Mary his wife was born March 5th 1795
Thomas Wright Junr was born Apr 23rd 1797
Benjamin Wright was born 12th August 1799
James Wright born 18th Oct 1801
Richard Wright born 18th April 1804
Robert Wright born 2_th May 1806 William Wright born 23 ____
Mary E. Wright born March 30 1812
Charles H. S. Wright born ____
Edward L. Wright born 17th ____ 1816
Susan M. Wright born 29th June 1819
Charles H. S. Wright was born March 12th 1815
William Wright
Edward L Wright was ____ Nov
Thomas Wright Senr was born 27th July 1769
Mary Wright wife of Thomas Wright Senr was born 6th October 1776

Deaths

Benjamin Wright son of Thomas Wright Senr and Mary his wife departed this life the 6th of September 1830 aged 31 years

Robert Wright son of the same departed this life the 29th July 1836 age 30 years

Thomas Wright Senr departed this life on the morning of the 31st of March 1840 in the 71st year of his age

Geo Silas Wright son of B. E. Wright departed This life on 21 of July 1852 in the sixth year of his life ____

Richard Wright son of Thos Wright Sen & Mary his wife departed this life in Jacksonville Florida on the night of 4th Feby 1854

Mary D. Wright wife of Tho Wright Jr departed this life on Wednesday the 10th day of September 1823

Mary E. Wright 2nd wife of Thomas Wright Jr departed this life on the morning of the 30th June 1826

Sally Waller Wright daughter of Thos. Wright Jr and Mary D. his Wife departed this life 26th June 1826

Susan Matilda Jones daughter of E M and Mary E Jones departed this life on the 1st day of August 1834

Thomas W Jones son of E M and Mary E. Jones departed this life on the 31st day of September 1840

Thomas Wright Jr departed this life April 19th 1856

Died, at Arcadia, on the 16th of April, Mrs. V. L. Boulware, wife of Gray Boulware, Jr., of Caroline County, Va (1829-1848)

[Columbus Statesman, Jan. 25.

Died, on the 4th December last, in the 22nd year of her age, Miss Susan Matilda Wright, of Essex County. She departed this life amid the lamentations of friends, the tears of relations and the sobs of a bereaved and disconsolate mother. She was the youngest daughter, as well as the youngest child, of Mr. Thomas Wright; he but a short time deceased. . . .

Obituaries in the front cover of the Bible:

Died

In Jacksonville, Florida, on the night of the 4th inst., Richard Wright, a native and previous to his decease, resident of the estate of Poplar Grove, Essex County, Va., in the fiftieth year of his age.

The deceased visited Florida to experience the effects of its climate upon a constitution seriously impaired by ill health;

He was comforted in his last moments by the presence of his brother William Wright

Independent Order of Odd Fellows.
Florida Lodge No. 1
Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 10, 1854

The undersigned, a committee appointed to draft a preamble and resolutions, express of the feelings of this Lodge, upon the decease of brother Richard Wright, of Virginia, and at the date of his decease, holding membership in Garnett Lodge No. 97

Deaths.

Died, at Prospect Hill, in the county of Essex, on the 11th of the present month, in the 44th year of her age, Mrs. Susan F. Wright, the wife of Col. George Wright, leaving a disconsolate husband and three sons, with an extensive circle of relations and friends, to lament their melancholy bereavement

Col. George Wright of Essex County, breathed his last at his residence, "Prospect Hill," on Friday the 29th day of November, leaving a large and interesting family and an extensive circle of relatives and friends to mourn his loss . . . .

Died, on the 19th day of April, at his residence in Essex County, Col. James Wright, in the 48th year of his age, of a lingering disease . . . .

Obituaries.

Died suddenly, but after a severe attack of paralysis, of several months duration, at Rockland, his residence, in Essex County, Va., in the 44th year of his age, Dr. Edward L. Wright . . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Thomas Wright Senr. 27th July 1769
Mary Wright October 6th 1776

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Thomas Wright Senr. 31 March 1840 at 35 minutes past 7 o clock A M.

. . . ."

This record indicates that Mary (____) Wright was born on October 6, 1776, and confirms the dates of birth and death of Thomas Wright.

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

. . . .

Births

Thomas Wright son of Thomas Wright & Mary his wife of Poplar Grove Essex County Va born 23d April 1797

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Thomas Wright senr of Poplar Grove Mar 31st 1840

. . . ."

These three Family Bible records indicate that Thomas Wright was born on July 27, 1769, married Mary (____) Wright, and died on March 31, 1840, probably at Poplar Grove, Essex County, Virginia, that Mary (____) Wright was born on October 6, 1776, and that Thomas Wright and Mary (____) Wright had the following children:

1) George Wright, born on March 5, 1795,

2) Thomas Wright, Jr., born on April 23, 1797,

3) Benjamin Wright, born on August 12, 1799,

4) James Wright, born on October 18, 1801,

5) Richard Wright, born on April 18, 1804,

6) Robert Wright, born on May 2_, 1806,

7) Mary E. Wright, born on March 30, 1812,

8) Charles H. S. Wright, born on March 12, 1815,

9) William Wright,

10) Edward L. Wright, born on November 17, 1816, and

11) Susan Matilda Wright, born on June 29, 1819.

The 1795 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household on May 8:

Time of receiving the Lists 4th Copy	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tiths	Black Tiths	Blks between 12 & 16
May 8	Thomas Wright	1	2	

Horses &c	Carriages	Ordy. Licenses	Bild. Tables	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Rates of Covering p Season
1					

The 1796 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household on May 5:

Time of receiving the Lists 2d Copy	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
May 5	Thomas Wright	1	8	1

Horses &c	Carriages	Ordy. Licenses	Bild. Tables	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Rates of Covering
4	1 Chair				

As set forth above, the absence of Benjamin Wright from the 1796 and later Personal Property Tax Lists and the increase in Thomas Wright's personal property from 2 slaves and no chair in 1795 to 9 slaves and 1 chair in 1796 probably reflects the death of his father Benjamin Wright between May 8, 1795, and May 5, 1796, and the transfer of Benjamin Wright's slaves and chair to his son Thomas Wright by inheritance at death.

The 1797 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household on May 3:

Time of Receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks betw 12 & 16
May 3	Thos Wright	1	6	1

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord: Licences	Billd. Tables	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses rates of Covering p Season
4	1 Chair				

On May 8, 1797, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 34/402 Thomas Wright purchased from Thomas and Henrietta Roane 55 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 8th day of May in the year of our Lord 1797 Between Thomas Roane and Henrietta Roane his Wife of the County of Essex of the one part, and Thomas Wright of the County aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Thomas Roane and Henrietta Roane his Wife for and in consideration of the sum of Ninety Nine pounds Current Money of Virga. to them in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright, the receipt whereof we the said Thomas Roane and Henrietta Roane his Wife doth acknowledge we the said Thomas Roane and Henrietta Roane his Wife have granted bargained and Sold alienated Enfeoffed & Confirmed, and by these presents do grant bargain sell alein, and enfeoff, & Confirm unto the said Thomas Wright and his heirs and assigns forever, one certain tract or parcel of Land lying in the County of Essex, and Parish of southfarnham, Containing Fifty five acres, Runing as follows beginning at two willows where Roanes branch makes into the Mill Pond thence up the meanders of the said Pond to where Wrights branch makes in thence up the said branch as it meanders 140½ poles to the fork thence to an Old Oak and marked Hickory 2 poles from the aforesaid Run, thence S 21½ E 43 poles to the Roade leading from Todds Bridge to Roanes Mill thence down the aforesaid Roade as it meanders 70 poles thence N 22 W 50 pole near to a maple thence N 2 E 67 poles to the begining as followeth with all Houses Gardens orchards Fences and appertenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to have and to

hold the said Tract or parcell of land with all the appertenances unto the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns forever, to the only proper use and behoof of him the sd. Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns forever the said Thomas Roane and Henrietta Roane his Wife, doth agree to, and with the said Thomas Wright that we the said Thomas Roane and Henrietta Roane his Wife and our heirs the above sold Land and premises to the said Thos. Wright his heirs & assigns forever shall & will warrant the sd. Land by these presence forever agt. the Claim of any person or persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof we the sd. Thomas Roane and Henrietta Roane his Wife have hereunto set our hands and seals this date & year above written.

Signd Seald & delivered	)	Thomas Roane
in presence of	)	Henrietta Roane

N.B. The said Roane reserving one chanes bredth adjoining the Mill pond to prevent the said Mill pan from filling up

Teste
Thomas Dix
Lewis Dix
Chrittenden Lane
W. Latane

At a Court held for Essex County at Tappa. the 19th day of June 1797. This deed Indented from Thomas Roane and Henrietta his Wife to Thos. Wright was proved by the Oathes of Lewis Dix, Crittendon Lane, & Wm. Lattane three of the subscribing Witnesses & ordered to be recorded as to him the sd. Roane

Teste
Jno P Lee Clk"

The 1798 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household on May 2:

Time of Receiving Lists Copy	Persons names chargeable with the Tax	Wt. Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
May 2d	Thos Wright	1	7	

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amot Tax D C
5	1 Chair				3.54

The 1798 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

2nd copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price p Acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt Tax Land at 30 cts D. C.
Thos. Wright			447	Avgd.	129.17.4	1.65

This record reflects the death of Benjamin Wright and the transfer of his 447 acres of land to his son and only heir Thomas Wright.

The 1799 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Time of Receiving Lists 2nd Copy	Persons names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	Thomas Wright	1	9	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord: Licences	No. Stud horses	Rates of Covering	Amot Tax D C
6	1 Chair				6.42

The 1799 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

2nd copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
Thos. Wright			447	Avgd.	129.17.4	2.08

On February 17, 1800, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 35/184 Thomas Wright purchased from James Wright 81 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 17th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred by and between James Wright of the County of Essex, and Thomas Wright of the County aforesaid, of the other part, Witnesseth that the said James Wright, for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and one pounds ten shillings to him in hand paid, by the said Thomas Wright, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and allow myself to be fully satisfyd, have

granted bargained & sold, Alien'd enfeeof'd and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien enfeeof and confirm, unto the said Thomas Wright, his heirs and assigns forever all my right and title to a tract of Land Lying and being in the County aforesaid, being part of the Land, formerly ownd, by Hugh Willsons legatees, containing by Estimation eighty one Acres and bounded as follows Beginning at a Gum Corner to John Minter, thence a long the dividing line between John Minter and the said land to a pine at the Roade, thence along the Roade to Hailes Bridge, thence up the Mill Swamp, to where the western branch makes in the said Swamp, thence up the western branch to the beginning to have and to hold, the said land with all previledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtaining and allso the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders thereof to the said Thomas Wright unto his Heirs and Assigns forever to the only use and behoof of the said Thomas Wright. And James Wright for himself and his Heirs doth covenant and agree to and with the said Thomas Wright and his Heirs, that he and they shall and may at all times hereafter quietly and peaceably hold and enjoy the said land and premises with the appurtenances free and clear, from all former, sales, Gifts, Grants, mortgages, rights, of dowers or any other incumbrances whatsoever the said James Wright for himself shall and will warrent and forever defend, the said granted land and premises, with the appurtenances, unto the said Thomas Wright and his heirs forever, against him the said James Wright and his heirs that shall lay any claim or title thereunto in witness whereof the said James Wright have hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year as above written

Sign'd seal'd and deli-) James Wright
vered in presence of)
John Crow
Philip Howerton
John Minter
James Allen

At an Intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock, on the 17th day of February 1800.

This deed Indented from James Wright to Thomas Wright, was proved by Philip Howerton, John Minter and James Allin, three of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded

Teste
Jno. P. Lee Clk"

The 1800 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 2d Copy	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blacks between 12 & 16
	Thomas Wright	1	8	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amot Tax D C
6	1 Chair				6.72

The 1800 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
Thos. Wright			447	avg}	}	
fm Jas Wright			81	4/6}	147.1.4}	2.35

This record reflects the purchase of 81 acres of land by Essex County Deed 35/184.

The 1801 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 1st Copy	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	Thos Wright	1	8	3

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt of Tax D C
5					5.44

The 1801 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

2d copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
Thos. Wright			538	4/6	149.6.4	2.39

This record reflects a consolidation of the two parcels into a single parcel, indicating that they were located adjacent to each other.

On April 20, 1801, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 35/364 Thomas Wright purchased from Thomas Dix 20 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 20th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and one, by and between Thomas Dix of the County of Essex of of the one part and Thomas Wright of the County aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Thomas Dix doth for and in consideration of the Sum of Fifty pounds to him in hand paid by the within named Thomas Wright, the receipt whereof I do hereby Acknowledge, and allow myself to be fully satisfied have granted bargained sold Alien'd enfeoffed and Confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain Sell Alien enfeoff and confirm unto the said Thomas Wright, his heirs and assigns forever, all my right and title to a tract of Land lying and being in the County aforesaid formerley the property of Wm Latane containing by Estimation Twenty Acres be the same more or Less and bounded as followeth Begining at Haile's bridge and runing along the road, to where the road forks leading over Croxtons Mill, Thence down the Road leading over Croxtons Mill, to the Mill tail, thence down the Mill Tail as it meanders to the begining, to have and to hold the said Land with all priviledges and appertenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining and also the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders thereof to the said Thomas Wright and to his heirs and assigns forever to the only use and behoof of the said Thos. Wright, and Thomas Dix for himself and his heirs doth covenant, grant and agree to and with the said Thomas Wright and his heirs that he and they shall and may and at all times hereafter quietly and peaceably hold and enjoy the said granted land and premises with the appurtenances free and clear from all former sales gifts grants mortgages rights of dowers or any other incumbrances whatsoever the said Thomas Dix for himself and his heirs Will Warrant and forever defend the said granted land and premises with the appurtinances unto the said Thomas Wright and his heirs forever against all persons that lay any claim or title thereunto in Witness whereof the said Thomas Dix have hereunto set his hand and seal the Day and year above Written
>
> In the original The Word) Thos. Dix
> "fifty" in the 10th line erased)
> and made "Twenty" before)
> acknowledgment)
> Jno. P. Lee

At an Intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 20th Day of Apl 1801. This Deed indented from Thomas Dix to Thomas Wright was acknowledged by the said Thomas Dix to be his proper act and Deed and ordered to be Recorded.

Test
Jno. P. Lee Clk"

On February 8, 1802, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 36/8 Thomas Wright purchased from Sally Chamberlain 41½ acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 8th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and two, Between Sally Chamberlain of the County of Essex of the one part, and Thomas Wright of the County aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Sally Chamberlain doth for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and twenty four pounds ten shillings to have in hand paid by the within mentioned Thomas Wright the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and allow myself to be fully satisfied have granted bargained sold alien'd enfeof'd and confirm'd and by these presents do grant bargain Sell alien enfeof and Confirm unto the said Thomas Wright his heirs and Assigns forever, all my right and title to a Tract of land lying and being in the County of Essex containing by estimation Forty one 1/2 Acres be the same more or less and bounded as followeth Begining in the road at the said Wrights Corner thence along the roade binding on John Cox South 83 West 17 poles thence North eighty and half degrees West twenty one and half poles to a white oak now made corner to the said Wright and James Allen on the said Cox's Land, thence along a new made line North four and half degrees west one hundred and seventy five poles to the Mill Swamp to a Stooping maple on Dix's Land thence down the meanders of the Mill run, about forty one poles to a parcell willows by the run, thence along the said Wrights line one hundred and ninety one poles to the begining To have and to hold the said Land with all privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining and also the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders thereof to the said Thomas Wright unto his heirs and assigns forever, to the only use and behoof of the said Thomas Wright & Sally Chamberlain herself her heirs doth covenant and agree to and with the same Thomas Wright and his heirs that she and they shall and may and at all times, hereafter quietly and peaceably hold and enjoy the said granted land and premises with the appurtenances free and clear from all former sales gifts grants mortgages rights of dowers or any other incumberances whatsoever, the said Sally Chamberlain for herself shall and will warrant and defend the said granted Land and premises with the appurtenances unto the said Thomas Wright and his heirs forever against her and her heirs that shall lay any claim or title thereunto.

In Witness whereof the said Sally Chamberlain have hereunto set her hand and seal the date above mentioned

Teste
Sealed and delivered) Sally her X mark Chamberlain
in presence of)
(Witnesses names Carried up)
Witnesses names Brought up
Humphrey Ball
James Gatewood
John Chamberlain
William Jones
Motta Ball
James Allen

At an Intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 15th day of Feby 1802. This Deed indented from Sally Chamberlain to Thomas Wright, was proved by Humphrey Ball, William Jones and James Allen, three of the witnesses to the same subscribed and ordered to be Recorded

Test
Jno. P. Lee Clk"

The 1802 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 2d Copy	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks betw: 12 & 16
	Thos Wright	1	8	3

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord. Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt Tax D. C.
5	1 Chair				6.30

The 1802 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

3d copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
Thos. Wright			538	4/6}		
fro S. Chamberlains			41½	" }	158.13.1	2.54

This record reflects the purchase in 1802 of 41½ acres of land by Essex County Deed 36/8.

The 1803 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 3d Copy	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	Thomas Wright	1	8	3

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt Tax D. C.
6	1 Chair				6.86

The 1803 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

4th copy Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
Thos Wright			579½	Avgd	158.13.1	2.53

This record reflects a consolidation of the two parcels into a single parcel, indicating that they were located adjacent to each other.

The 1804 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 2d Copy	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	Thomas Wright	1	9	2

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	Rates of Covering	Amt. of Tax D. C.
6	1 Chair				6.42

The 1804 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Qty of Land	Price pr. Acre	Amt. Land exclusive of Lotts	Amt. of Tax D. C.
Thomas Wright			579	Avgd	158.13.1	2.53

On November 26, 1804, at Essex County, Virginia, Thomas Wright, Carter Croxton, James Allen, and James Dix agreed to refer to John Jones and Charles Howerton the determination of damages to their land caused by Carter Croxton building a mill dam on Piscattaway Creek:

> "This Covenant entered into this 26th day of November 1804 Between Carter Croxton and Thomas Wright, and between the sd. Carter Croxton and James Allen and between the said Carter Croxton and James Dix, Witnesseth that whereas the Waters of a Mill belong to the sd. Carter Croxton on the Waters of Piscattaway Creek, doth, overflow or injure lands belonging to Thomas Wright, James Allen and James Dix Severally which land they presume has never been paid for by the said Carter Croxton, or any other proprietor of the said Mill, and the parties aforesaid being desirous of adjusting all controversey that might arise in consequence of the same have agreed to refer the same to Capt John Jones, Charles Howerton, & ____ to inquire into the fact whether the same has been paid for, or not, and to say in their opinions if the land of the several proprietors aforesaid, has not been paid for what damage the said Carter Croxton, shall pay to them respectively, and in consideration thereof the said Carter Croxton shall be entitled to overflow the said land subject to the same conditions and restrictions as if such damages were assessed by a jury, under or writ of adquadamnum, according to law, and it is understood by the parties that this covenant shall be no bar to any action for damages which may accrue in consequence of holding the the waters, any higher than they now are, which highth shall be assertained and specified by said referee's in their reward, and for due acquiessence in and performance of the award, which shall be made by the referees the parties aforesaid bind themselves each to other in the penalty of

One Thousand Dollars. In Witness whereof they have hereunto set there hand and seals the day and year above written

Teste	Carter Croxton
Lewis Dix	Thomas Wright
Richd St John	James Allen
	James Dix

At an intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 17 June 1805. This agreement between Carter Croxton, Thomas Wright, James Allen, and James Dix was proved by the oath of Richd St John one of the witnesses to the same subscribed, & ordered to be Recorded

Teste
Jno P. Lee Clk"

The 1805 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists 2d Copy	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	Thomas Wright	1	9	3

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt. of Tax D. Cents
4	1 Chair				6.62

The 1805 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, has not as yet been located.

The 1806 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Time of receiving Lists	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	Thomas Wright	1	8	5

Horses &c	Carriages	Ord Licences	No. Stud horses	rates of Covering	Amt. Tax D. Cents
3	1 Chair				6.94

The 1806 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	No of lotts	yearly rent of lotts	quanty of land	price pr acre	amot of land exclusive of lotts £ S d	amot. tax dollars cents
Thomas Wright			579	average	158.13.2	2.53

In her letter dated August 14, 1991, Dorothy Hankins enclosed a copy of genealogical notes by Mrs. Linnie Wright Barnett which included the following listing:

"Wright, Thomas, Senr.

Division of the Negroes left by Thomas Pitts in his will to be divided between his daughters Margaret Harrison and Molly Wright devided by Spencer Harrison and Thomas Wright their Husbands in the following manner: Spencer Harrison takes - Barbary, Cate, Sam, Peter, Great Jenny, Jack. Thos. Wright takes Peter Jane Charles, Amelia, Atkinson - Judy or Nenny (?) Joe, Emanuel, Dinah and child, David, and pays the said Spencer Harrison thirty nine pounds wch sum of money will make his lot of Negroes equal to Thomas Wrights. Divided in presence of Thos. Pitts.

Spencer Harrison
Thomas Wright
18th Oct 1806

At an intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 20th day of April 1818. The foregoing division of Slaves between Spencer Harrison and Thomas Wright was received by the Court and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Wm B Mathews, Clk

From Essex Will Book, 18, 1798-1801 - p 476-477"

This record identifies the wife of Thomas Wright as Mary (Pitts) Wright, the daughter of Thomas Pitts.

The 1807 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16
	Thomas Wright	1	18	3

Horses &c	Carriiages	Ord Licence	No Sd horses	rates of Covering	Amt. Tax D. C.
6	1 Chair				10.82

The 1807 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Persons Names	no of lotts	yearly Rent of Lotts	Quty of Land	price pr Acre	amt. Land Exusive of Lotts	Amt of Tax Doll. Cents
Thomas Wright			579	avgd	158.13.2	2.53

In 1808 no Personal or Land Tax Lists were taken in Virginia.

The 1809 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16	Horses &c	Carriages
Thomas Wright	1	19	3	5	

Ord Licence	Stud Horses	Rates of Covering	Amt Tax Dolls Cents
			10.28

The 1809 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Persons Names chargeable with the tax	No of lotts	yearly Rent of Lotts	Quan-tity of Land	price per acre	Amount of Land exclusive of Lotts	Amount of Tax Doll. Cents
Thomas Wright			579	Avd	600.00	2.88

The 1810 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons Names	White Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks between 12 & 16	Horses	Carriages	Stud Horses
Thomas Wright	1	16	4	9		

Rates of Covering	Amount of Tax C C
	9.88

The 1810 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Persons Names chargeable with the tax	No of Lotts	Yearly Rent of Lotts D C	Quan-tity of Land	price per acre	Amt Land exclusive of Lotts	Amount Tax D C
Thomas Wright			579	avgd	600.00	2.88

The 1810 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Name of Head of Family	Free White Males	Age	Free White Female	Age	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
Thomas Wright	1	26-45	1	26-45	1	34
	4	10-16				
	4	0-10				

This record indicates that Thomas Wright was born between 1765 and 1784.

The 1811 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	W Tithes	Blk Tithes	Blks bet 12 and 16	Horses	Carriages
Thomas Wright	1	15	6	9	1 Gigg

No Stud Horses	Rates of Covering	Amt Tax Dol & Cents
		11.18

The 1811 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Persons names chargeable with the tax	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	quan-tity of land	price per Acre	Amount of land exclu-sive of lotts	Amount Tax Dolls Cents
Thomas Wright			579	avgd	600.00	2.88

The 1812 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons Names	Whites	Blacks	Blks Betwn 12 & 16	Horses	Carriages	Studs
Thomas Wright	2	18	5	8	1 Gigg	

Rates of Covering	Amount
	11.94

The 1812 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Persons names Chargeable with the Tax	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lots	Quan-tity of Land	Price per Acre	Amt. of Land exclu-sive of Lots	Amt of Tax Dolls Cents
Thomas Wright			579	avgd	600.00	2.88

The will and codicil of James Wright dated on January 23, 1813, and March 29, 1813, and probated on January 17, 1814, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 17/510, listed Thomas Wright, the son of Benjamin Wright, as a beneficiary:

> "In the name of God Amen I James Wright of the County of Essex do make this my last Will and testament I give to Thomas Wright son of Benjamin Wright all that tract of land wereon I now live also one negro Boy named Essex to him and his heirs forever . . . . lastly I appoint Thomas Wright and Edward Wright Executors to this my las Will and testament - . . . .
>
> At an Intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 17th day of Jany 1814 This last Will and Testament of James Wright decd with the Codicil to the same annexed were brought into court by Thomas Wright and Edward Wright the nominal executors thereby appointed, and offered for proof. Whereupon the Will aforesaid was proved by the oaths of James Allen Senr Lewis Moody and Lewis Allen the subscribing Witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded, and the Codicil aforesaid was proved by the oath of James Allen the Witness thereto and also ordered to be Recorded And upon this on the motion of the said Thomas Wright and Edward Wright a certificate was granted them in order to their obtaining probate of the said Will and codicil in due form, they having taken the oath required by law, and entered into and acknowledged a Bond in a penalty and with security approved by the Court and conditioned as required by Law which Bond was also ordered to be Recorded
>
> Teste
> Jno. P. Lee Clk"

The 1813 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons Names	Doctors	Lawyers	Whites	Blacks	Blacks between 12 & 16	Horses
Thomas Wright			2	17	4	7

Carri-ages	Value	Saw Mills	Value	Tan Yards	Value	Coal Pitts	Value	Mills	Value
1 Gigg	$50								

Stud horses	Price	Amt of Tax D	C
		14.21	

The 1813 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Persons names Chargeable	No of Lotts	Yearly rent of Lotts	Quan-tity of Land	price per Acre	Amount of Land exclu-sive of Lots D	C	Amount of Tax C	C
Thomas Wright			597	avgd	600.00		3.84	

On March 15, 1813, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 38/406 Thomas Wright purchased from Richard St. John 121 acres of land in Essex and King & Queen Counties:

> "This Indenture made the 15th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirteen between Richard St. John of Essex County of the one part and Thomas Wright of the sd County of the other part, Witnesseth that the said Richard St. John for and in consideration of the sum of 200 Dollars in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright to the said Richard St. John the receipt whare of is hereby acknowledged Have granted bargained sold aliened enfeoffed released and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain sell alien enfeoff released and confirm unto the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns forever a certain Tract or parcell of land situate lying and being the grater partin the aforesaid County of Essex and the ballance in King & Queen county and bounded as folows to wit. Beginning at the Bestland Brige thence dowen the Bestland Swamp neear the main run 9-1/3 poles to an ash 7 pos, more to a white oake 9½ Do to an ash thence a cross the Bestland swamp 5-1/3 poles to an ash 6 Do to another ash 10 Do to a large Black Gum standing by Williams branch thence down Williams branch about 155 poles to an elm in the sd. Swamp near the mouth of the said branch thence N 13 W 110 poles to a corner stake in the dower Lot thence S 87½ W 27 poles to a persimmon tree thence S 23¼ W 19 poles to a Maple by the spring branch thence S 25½ W 35 poles to a Stake thence N. 83 W. 20 poles to a white oake thence N 10 E 29 poles thence N 20 W 8 po. to a Cedar by a branch & path thence S 48½ W 77 poles to Beastland Road thence along the Bestland road about 125 poles to the Beginning Containing by a late survey one hundred and twenty one acres be the same more or less it being part of a Tract of Land of Richard St John decd father to the said Richard St John and all the appurtenances and also all the estate right title and Interest of him the said Richard St John of in and to the same To have and to hold the said Tract or parcell of land situated as aforesaid with its

appertenances unto the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns forever to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns forever and the said Richard St. John his heirs executors and administrators doth covenant promise and agree to and with the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns that he the said Richard St. John and his heirs the said Tract or parcell of land with its apurtenances unto him the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns against the claim of all and every person and persons whatsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said Richard St. John have hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal the day and year first above written

Signed sealed and delivered	)	Richd. St John
in the presence of	)	
Thomas Wright Junr.	)	
George Wright	)	
his	)	
Josiah X Minter		
mark		

At an Intervening Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 20th day of September 1813. This deed executed from Richard St. John to Thomas Wright was proved by the oaths of Thomas Wright Jr George Wright and Josiah Minter the Witnesses to the same subscribed and ordered to be Recorded

Teste
Jno P Lee Clk"

The 1814 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons Names	Whites	Blacks	Blacks between 12 & 16	Free negroes & Mulattoes	Horses
Thomas Wright	2	18	5		8

Dogs	Ordin-aries	yearly rent or value	Ferries	yearly rent or value	Carriages	Value
					1 Gigg	$___

Tan yards	yearly rent or value	Mills	yearly rent or value	Stud Horses	Rate of covering	Amt Tax D C
						20.52

The 1814 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Names of Owners	Residence	Estate	Number of Town Lots	Yearly rent of Lots	Amt of Taxes upon _ at $2.77 in every $100 Yearly rent
Thomas Wright	Essex	in fee			

Number of Acres of Land	Description of the land
1050	Bounded by Jas Allen Jno Cox Jos. Burnett &c

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Rate of land pr acre	Total value of land	Amt Tax on land at 86 Cts p $100 value	Total of Tax on Lotts & land	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
_ SW	4/6	781.50	6.69	6.69	Upon landbook 1813-597 He affirms 1050 in which he includes the quantity got of Jas Wrights Est

This record reflects the transfer of approximately 353 acres of land from the estate of James Wright as provided in his will and indicates that the lands of Benjamin Wright and James Wright were adjacent to each other.

The 1815 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving list from individual	Persons' names charged with the tax	No of white males above 16 years old	No of slaves above 16 years old	Slaves	
				Between 9 and 12 years old	Above 12 year old & under 16
	Thomas Wright	3	18	3	4

Horses Asses, Mules, Mares and Colts	Stud Horses		No. of heads of cattle	Carriages		
	No.	Rate of covering mares		2 wheel riding carriages	Phaeton and stage waggons	All other 4 wheeled riding carriages
8			28	$30		

Mills	Toll bridge and Ferries	Tan-yards	Free male Negroes above 16 years old	Watches		
				Gold, Silver or Pinchbeck	Single cased Gold	Double cased Gold
				1		

Livery Stables & No. of stalls or spaces sufficient for the accommodation of one horse	Houses in the country exceeding in value $500	Ice Houses		Clocks	
		For private use	From which ice is sold	Works of wood without case	Works of wood with case
	$1000				

Clocks [continued]					
Works of wood with case	Works principally of metal	Of value between 50 & $100	Of value of $100 and upwards	Side boards of value $100 and upwards	Looking glasses

Furniture	
Bureau, Secretary or Book-case, Chest of drawers Wardrobe or Clothes-press, Dining table or separate part thereof, Bedsteads, Side-board without drawers or doors, Tea-table or Card-table, in whole or in part of Mahogany, Celeret or Sideboard with drawers or doors, Settee or Sopha, Chairs, Carpets, Window curtain and Venetian blinds within the window of any house	Portraits, Pictures, Print or Engraving, Mirror or Looking Glass, Piano-Forte, Harpsichord, Organ or Harp

1 book case 1 Side board __ Tables 1 Chest of drawers

Furniture [continued]		
Bureau, Secretary or Book-case, Chest of drawers, Wardrobe or Clothespress of any other wood than Mahogany	Urn, Coffee or Tea-pot Candle-stick, Lamp, Chandalier, Epergne or Girandole, Dresser, Pitcher, Bowl Goblett, Wash-basin, Stand or Salver, Tanlard, Cup or Waiter	Total amount of Tax Dolls Cents $ Cents
		25.66½

The 1815 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	No. of Town Lots	yearly rent of Lots	Amt of Tax on Lots at $3.63¼ pr $100 value
Thomas Wright	Essex	in fee			

No. of Acres of Land	description of the land	distance & bearing from the Ct. House
1050	Bounded by Est of James Allen Jno Cox Allen Jno Cox Jos. Bennett &c	12 M SW

Rate of Land pr Acre	Total Value of land	Amt Tax on land at 95 cts $100 value	Total of Tax on Lots and land	Explanation of Alterations during the preceeding year
4/6	787.50	6.69	6.69	

On January 11, 1816, Thomas Wright, Sr., consented to the marriage of his son George Wright to Susan F. Jones:

"The Clerk of Essex County has my consent to issue License for my son George Wright to intermarry with Susan F. Jones daughter of Capt. John Jones

Thos Wright Senior
11th of Jany 1816"

The 1816 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons' names charged with the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud horses No	$ Cts
	Thomas Wright Senr	2	26	7		

2 Wheeled riding __-riages & harne__ belonging thereto there		Phaetons, Stage waggons and Harness belonging thereto		Coaches and Harness belonging thereto		
Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Exceeding in value $200	Not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	Total amount of Taxes $ Cts
50						19.96

The 1816 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Thomas Wright	Essex	in fee	1050	Bd by Est of Jas Allen, Jno Cox Joseph Bennett &c

Distance & bearing from the Ct House	Rate of Land p Acre	Total value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land @ 75 cts p $100 Value	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10 m SW	4/6	787.50	5.91	

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed two Thomas Wrights, one designated as Thomas Wright, Jr., and the other as Thomas Wright Sr with the following household:

Date of Receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Charged with the Tax	White males over 16 years old	Slaves over 16 years old	Slaves of the age of 12 & under 16 years old
March 14	Thos Wright Sr	2	21	5

		2 Wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto		Phaetons, Stage Waggons and harness belonging thereto	
Horses	Stud horses No. $ Cts	Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Exceeding in value
9		1	$100		

Coaches and Harness belonging thereto		
Not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	Total amt of Tax $ cts
		20.32

The 1817 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Thomas Wright	Essex	in fee	1050	Bd by Est of Jas Allen, Jno Cox & Jno Minter

Distance & bearing from the Ct House	Rate of Land p Acre	Total value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land at 75 cents p $100 value	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10 ms SW	4/6	787.50	5.91	

In January 1818 at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/491 Thomas Wright, Sr., as trustee under a deed of trust executed by Addison Allen, sold to John B. Burke all of the interest of Addison Allen in the estate of Addison Allen's mother:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this __ day of January 1818 Between Thomas Wright senr of the County of Essex of the one part and John B Burke of the said County of Essex of the other part. Whereas Addison Allen by his Indenture of Trust bearing date the fourth day of January 1817 and committed to Record in the County Court of Essex on the 4th day of January 1817 and 8th day of January 1817 did convey to the said Thomas Wright Senr. for the purposes expressed in the said Indenture among other things as follows "all my right, title and interest in and to the land slaves or money which may revert to me at my mothers death, or may be obtained in any other way" and by the said deed invested the said Thomas Wright Sr with power and authority to sell at public auction the property conveyed by the above recited Deed, in which is comprehended the interest above mentioned, upon the failure of the said Addison Allen to pay the debt therein mentioned due to Thomas M Henley admor of James Dix decd and for which Edwin Upshaw had become bound as his security, the object and intention of the said Deed being to indemnify and save harmless the said Edwin Upshaw in the payment of the sd debt due as aforesaid to the said James Dix's admor. And whereas the said Addison Allen having failed to discharge the said debt due to the said James Dix's admor which debt is particularly described and set forth in the said Indenture of Trust the said Thomas Wright senr upon the requisition of the said Edwin Upshaw and pursuant to the terms of the said Indenture of Trust did proceed after having given public notice of the sale to sell at public auction the property expressed in the said Deed and John B Burke became the purchaser of the above described Interest which for greater certainty is here again recited to wit "all my right title and interest in and to the Land Slaves or money which may revert to me at my mothers death or may be obtained in any other way" by which is meant the said Addison Allen's right title and interest in and to the Lands Slaves or money which may revert to him at the death of his the said Addison's mother or may be obtained in any other way, the said John B Burke being the highest bidder for the said Interest, and which was struck off to him at the sum of five hundred and forty three dollars Now therefore the true intention and meaning of this Indenture is this that the said Thomas Wright senr. for and in consideration of the said sum of five hundred and forty three dollars to him in hand paid by the said John B Burke, the receipt whereof the said Thomas Wright Sr. doth hereby acknowledge and forever acquit exonerate and discharge the said John B Burke his heirs and

assigns forever hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said John B Burke his heirs and assigns forever all and singular the interest as before described to wit "The said Addison Allens right title and Interest in and to the land, Slaves or money which may revert to him the said Addison at the death of his mother or which may be obtained by him the said Addison in any other way. To have and to hold the Estate hereby granted, bargained sold and conveyed to the said John B Burke his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Thomas Wright Sr for himself and his heirs doth hereby covenant promise and agree that he will warrant and defend forever to the said John B Burke his heirs and assigns forever the right and interest of the said Allen conveyed by this Indenture which is herein before particularized against himself and his heirs and all persons claiming by from through or under him but not against the claim or claims of any person or persons whatsoever In Testimony whereof the said Thomas Wright the party hereto hath hereunto signed his name and affixed his seal the day and year first herein before mentioned (Interlined before signed)

Signed Sealed acknd & .) Thos. Wright Sr
delivered in presence of)
James Dix
Thomas Wright jr.
Tandy Dix

Essex County Court Office February 13th 1818

This Indenture from Thomas Wright Sr to John B Burke was this day acknowledged in the Office by the said Thomas Wright to be his proper act and deed and admitted to record.

Teste
Wm P Matthews Clk"

The 1818 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No of White males over 16 Years old	No of Slaves above 16 years old	No of Slaves over 12 & under 16 Yrs old
March 16th	Thos Wright Senr	4	23	4

No. of Horses	Stud horses No. $ Cts	Two Wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	Phaetons, Stage Waggons and harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $200	Exceeding in value $200
10		1	$50		

Coaches and Harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	Total amo of Tax $ cts	Proof
		21.20	

The 1818 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner of Land	Residence	Estate	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Thomas Wright	Essex	In fee	1050	Bd by Est of Jas Allen &c

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land at 75 cents p $100 value	Explanation of Alteratio the preceding year
10 ms S	4/6	787.50	5.91	

In about December 1818 at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/648 Thomas Wright, Sr., purchased from Ephraim Beazley and Henry H. Boughan, as Deacons of the Baptist Church of Christ, the one acre of land on which their church had formerly stood:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this __ day of ____ 1818 Between Ephraim Beazley and Henry H Boughan Deacons of the Baptist Church of Christ for the District of Piscattaway of the one part and Thomas Wright Senr. of the other part. Whereas the Meeting House of the said Church called Allens having been moved from the place whereon it formerly stood and according to the regulations of the said Church the Lot of land upon which the same stood containing by estimation One Acre be the same more or less lying and being in the County of Essex and bounded by the lands of the said Thomas Wright Sr. and the road leading from Reuben Garnett's to Charles Croxton's Mill the said

Lott of Land was sold for the benefit of the said Baptist Church and the said Thomas Wright Senr became the purchaser thereof for the sum of ____ the receipt whereof the said Beazley and Boughan do hereby acknowledge and in order to perfect a goods title to the said Thomas Wright Senr. his heirs &c in the Lot herein before mentioned and to every thing appertaining and belonging do hereby for themselves as Members and Deacons of the said Church their Heirs &c and for the "Baptist Church" now in Piscattaway District Bargain and sell, give and grant unto the said Thomas Wright senr. his heirs Exors &c. the above described Lot of Land with every thing thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, for him the said Thomas Wright Sr. and his heirs and all persons claiming by through or under him to enjoy peaceable and full possession thereof from the date hereof, free from the claims of them the said Beazley and Boughan, the said Baptist Church and all persons whatsoever a fee Simple Estate in the said meeting House Lot having been conveyed to the said Baptist Church by Humphrey Ball and Phoebe his wife as will probably appear by the records and files of the County Court of Essex. And the said Ephraim Beazley and Henry H Boughan Deacons as aforesaid do hereby covenant to and with the said Thomas Wright senr. his heirs Executors administrators and Assigns that they will warrant and defend the Title of the said Thomas Wright senr. to the Lot herein intended to be conveyed to him and his heirs against the claim or claims of their Heirs and all persons claiming by through or under them and the said Baptist Church. In Witness whereof the said Ephraim Beazley and Henry H Boughan have hereunto signed their names and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

Ephraim Beazley
H. H. Boughan

Tappahannock Essex County Court Office 12th Day of Decr 1818

This Indenture from Ephraim Beazley and Henry H Boughan Deacons of the Baptist Church of Christ for the District of Piscattaway to Thomas Wright Senr. was this day acknowledged by the said Beazley and Boughan to be their proper act and Deed and admitted to Record

Teste
James R Micon D. Clk
for William B Matthews Clk

Truly Recorded
Teste William B Matthews Clk"

The 1819 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No of White males above 16 yrs old	No of Slaves above 16 years old	Slaves of 12 & under 16 yrs old
Apl. 10	Thomas Wright	3	26	3

Horses	Stud horses No. $ Cts	Two Wheeled riding Carriages & Harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	Phaetons, Stage Waggons & Harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $200	Exceeding in value $200
11		1 $70			

Coaches and Harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	Amount of Taxes $ cts	Proof
		22.78	

The 1819 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner of Land	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	In fee	1051	Bd Est Jas Allen &Jno Cox

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land p Acre	Total Value of Land	Amt of Tax on Land at 75 cts p $100 value Dls Cts	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
100 ms SW	4/6	788.25	5.92	1 acre in addition to quantity charged last year conveyed to you by the Deacons of the Baptist Church

This record reflects the purchase in 1818 of 1 acre of land by Essex County Deed 39/648.

The 1820 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tzxes	White males above 16 years old	Blacks above 12 years old	Blacks above 16 years old
	Thomas Wright Sen.	3	3	27

Horses mares Colts & Mules	Ordinary License	License for keeping private entertainment	Wholesale & retail Merchants	Retail Merchants	Free Negroes & Mulattoes
10					

Stud Horses Jack Asses	Rate of Covering p season	Carriage Wheels: Coaches Chariots & Post Chaises	Carriage Wheels: Other four Wheeled riding Carriages	Carriage Wheels: 2 Wheeled riding Carriages	Sum Total Taxes
				1 $50	23.30

The 1820 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner of Land	Residence	Number of Acres of Land	Description of Land	Distance & bearing from the Ct. House
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	1051	Est Jas Allen & Jno Cox	10SW

Rate of Land p Acre Dols Cts	Sum added on account Buildings Dls Cts	Total Value of Land Dls Cts	Amt. of Tax on Land at 12½ cents p $100 value Dls Cts	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
8.90	2000	9333.90	11.70	

The 1820 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Thomas Wright	1	45+	1	45+
	5	16-26	2	0-10
	2	16-18		
	1	10-16		
	2	0-10		

Foreigners	Number in Agriculture	Number in Commerce	Number in Manufacture
	20		8

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age	All Other Persons
17	26-45	7	14-26					
7	14-26	6	0-14					
9	0-14							

The 1821 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen. with the following household on May 4:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
May 4	Thomas Wright Sen.	32	9	

Two Wheeled riding Carriages and Harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons and Harness		Riding Carriages and Harness		
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of Tax
1	$50					18.67½

The 1821 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	In fee	1051	Est James Allen

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land p Acre including buildings	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total Value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of the Tax at the rate if nine cents per $100 value	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10SW	8.90	2000	$9353.90	.42	

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following household on May 3:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
May 3	Thomas Wright Sen	29	9		

Two wheeled riding Carriages and harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Carryall, Jersey waggons and harness
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	
1	$50			

Riding Carriages and harness				
Not exceeding value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding $300 value	Above the value of $300	Amount of Tax
				17.08½

The 1822 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple or for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex		1051	John Cox & G Croxton

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per Acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of nine cents for every $100 Value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	$9353.90	8.42	

On April 15, 1822, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 40/370 Thomas Wright, Sr., and Mary Wright sold to Richard St. John the 121 acres of land previously purchased by them from Richard St. John by Essex County Deed 38/406:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 15th day of April one thousand Eight hundred and twenty two Between Thomas Wright Senr. and Mary his wife of the County of Essex of the one part and Richard St. John of the said County of the other part Witnesseth that the said Thomas Wright senr and Mary his wife for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred Dollars to them paid by the said St. John, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said Richard St. John a certain tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being the greater part, in the aforesaid County of Essex and the balance in King and Queen County containing one hundred and twenty one acres, be the same more or less, being the same land the said Richard St. John conveyed to the said Thomas Wright by Deed of bargain and sale, bearing date the 15th day of March one thousand Eight hundred and thirteen, & recorded in Essex County Court the 20th day of September 1813. The Boundaries whereof will fully appear by reference to the said Deed. To have and to hold to the said Richard St. John his heirs exors &c free from the claim or claims of them the said Thomas Wright senr. and Mary his wife their heirs &c And the said Thomas Wright senr. and Mary his wife do hereby for themselves their heirs &c invest the said Richard St. John his heirs &c with the same right and title to the said Tenement, tract or parcel of land, that the said Richard St. John invested the said Thomas Wright with, by making and delivering the Deed of record aforementioned and no more. In testimony

whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto signed their names and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

Thos. Wright Sr.

Essex County Court Office 15th April 1822

This Deed from Thomas Wright Senr. and Mary his wife, (but at present not signed by the said Mary) to Richard St. John, was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by the said Thomas Wright Senr. to be his proper act and deed and admitted to Record as to him

Exd

Teste
Will: B Matthews Clk"

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household on March 17:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons names Chargeable with Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolls Cents
Mar 17	Thomas Wright Senr	25	11		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dolls	Amount of Tax Cents
	13	07

The 1823 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple or for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Sen	Essex	In fee	1051	John Cox & others

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dolls Cents	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of eight cents for every $100 Value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90	7.49	

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following household on March 15:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individual	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
Mar 15	Thomas Wright Sen	27	10		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dolls Cents
1 gig $40 value	14.39

The 1824 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Sen			1051	John Cox & others

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 cents for every $100 Value	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90	7.49	

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
	Thomas Wright Senr	26	10		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	13.42

The 1825 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Sen	Essex	In fee	1051	John Cox &c

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including Buildings	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total Value of the Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax at the rate of eigiht cents for every $100 Value	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9355.90	7.49	

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed two Thomas Wrights, one designated as Thomas Wright Jr and the other with the following household on March 20:

Mar 20	Thomas Wright	27	12		

1 Gig $50 value	14.63

The 1826 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Sen	Essex	In fee	1051	John Cox & others

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land & Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9355.90	7.49	

The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Horses Mares Asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
	Thomas Wright Sen	28	10		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and harness of Every Description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 gig $50 value	14.86

The 1827 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following property:

Thomas Wright Sen	Essex	fee	1051	Wm Cox & others

10 do	8.90	2000	9353.90	7.49	

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Sen	20	13		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 value	16.16

The 1828 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Sen	Essex	In fee	1051	William Cox &c

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land & Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90	7.49	

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen. with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts Mules &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Sen.	31	12		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $60 value	14.20

The 1829 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Sen	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90	7.49	

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mares	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Senr	28	13		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $60 value	11.44

The 1830 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	Wm Cox

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90	7.49	

The 1830 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Thomas Wright	1	60-70	1	50-60
	1	30-40	1	15-20
	1	20-30	1	5-10
	2	10-15		

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
2	36-55	2	55-100				
11	24-36	4	36-55				
10	10-24	2	24-36				
5	0-10	6	10-24				
		13	0-10				

	White Persons included in the foregoing				
Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
63					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing			
Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

This record indicates that Thomas Wright was born between 1760 and 1770 and that Mary (Pitts) Wright was born between 1770 and 1780.

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses Mares, asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Senr	31	13		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	9.05

The 1831 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90	7.49	

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household on February 2:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
Feby 2	Thomas Wright Senr	31	10		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 1 Coachee $250	11.35

The 1832 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90	7.49	

On January 3, 1833, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 44/156 Thomas Wright, Sr., purchased from Thomas Wright, Jr., and Ann M. Wright two parcels of 130 acres and 102½ acres of land:

> "This Indenture made the 3d day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three between Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the first part and Thomas Wright Senr of the same County and State of the other part - Witnesseth that the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife for and in consideration of the sum of One thousand four hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said Thomas

Wright Senr at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and from the payment of which the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife do by these presents acquit exonerate and discharge the said Thomas Wright Senr and his heirs they the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife have granted bargained and sold aliened released enfeoffed and Confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release and Confirm unto the said Thomas Wright Senr his heirs and assigns forever all the right title claim interest and demand which they the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife have in and to a Certain messuage tenement parcel or tract of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex and State aforesaid Containing by estimation one hundred and thirty acres be the same more or less bounded by the lands of Edmund F Noel Ephraim Beazley, Thomas Dunns estate and others, it being the same land Conveyed by George Wright and Susan F his wife to the said Thomas Wright Jr by deed bearing date the 3d day of May One thousand eight hundred and twenty five and duly recorded in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex and is the same land purchased by the said George Wright of Lemuel Crittenden and others of which said land the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife Convey the following interest to wit the interest which Lemuel Crittenden the husband of Susannah Crittenden decd. held in and to the land aforesaid the said Lemuel being tenant by the Curtesy and entitled to a life estate therein and also all the claim interest and demand which William Crittenden and Polly his wife Richard N Callip and Sally his wife Richard Smith and Eliza his wife Richard Clarkson and Lorinda his wife, Lewis Crittenden and Benjamin F Crittenden held in and to the same land, the said William Crittenden, Sally Callip Eliza Smith Lorinda Clarkson, Lewis Crittenden and Benjamin F Crittenden being children and heirs of of the said Susanna Crittenden decd. and each entitled at the termination of the life estate of the said Lemuel Crittenden to one eighth part thereof and the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife for and in Consideration of the said sum of One thousand four hundred dollars to them in hand paid as herein before mentioned have also granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said Thomas Wright Senr and his heirs and assigns forever - one other certain messuage tenement parcel or tract of land adjoining the lands herein before mentioned containing by a late survey made by William Fisher one hundred two and a half acres being the same land conveyed by John Brown to the said Thomas Wright Jr by deed bearing date the 19" April one thousand eight hundred and twenty two and duly recorded in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex the boundaries of which said last mentioned parcel or tract of land will fully and at large appear by reference to the aforesaid deed from said Brown to the said Thomas Wright Jr. To have and to hold the right title and interest of the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife in and to the tracts of land hereinbefore mentioned together with all and singular the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said Thomas Wright Sen. and his heirs freely and clearly exonerated from all right title interest or demand which the said

Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife or their heirs may have in and to the same and the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife for themselves their heirs executors or administrators do hereby Covenant to and with the said Thomas Wright Senr. his heirs and assigns to protect and forever defend the right title and interest of the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife in and to the tracts of land aforementioned as hereinbefore particularly set forth and decribed to the said Thomas Wright Senr and his heirs against the claim or demand of all and every person whatever. And the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife do hereby Covenant and agree to and with the said Thomas Wright Senr. that the said Thomas Wright Senr shall at all times hereafter possess and enjoy the interest of the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife in and to the said tracts of land and premises as herein before mentioned against the lawful claim and demand of all and every person or persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written.

Erased &c before signed

Thos. Wright Jr
Ann M Wright

Memo:

I do hereby for myself my heirs and assigns agree to make the same reservation as to one fourth of an acre of land reserved to John Brown and his heirs as mentioned in deed from said John Brown to the within Thomas Wright Jr of date as within mentioned as a place of interment or Family Graveyard.

Teste
Richard Wright

Thos. Wright Sr

Essex County Sc:

We Richard Rowzee & Edmund F Noel Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Thomas Wright Jr a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 3d day of January 1833 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essexin order that the said deed may be recorded.

Richard Rowzee
Edmund F Noel

Essex County Sc

We Richard Rowzee and Edmund F Noel Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Ann M Wright the wife of Thomas Wright Jr parties to a Certain deed bearing date on the 3d day of January 1833 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before usin our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Ann M Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 3d day of Jany 1833.

Richard Rowzee
Edmund F Noel

Essex County Court Clerks Office February 20th 1833.

This Deed was produced in the Office aforesaid and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses	
				Number	Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Senr	24	12		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	9.22
1 Coachee $200	

The 1833 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90	7.49	

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Senr	30	12		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 1 Coachee $200	10.72

The 1834 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox
Same			233½	Arthur Rennolds

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90
9 West	4.20	150	976.54

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
7.49	233½ acres added Conveyed to you by
.79	Thomas Wright jr & wife

This record reflects the purchase of 232-1/2 acres of land by Essex County Deed 44/156.

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of Horses Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Senr	33	11		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $12	9.41

The 1835 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox
Same			233½	Arthur Rennolds

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90
9 West	4.20	150	976.54

Amount of Tax at the rate of Eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
7.49	
.79	

On November 13, 1835, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/115 Thomas Wright purchased from Reuben L. and Maria L. Pitts and Susan Crittenden a 1/8 interest in 130 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 13" day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty five between Reuben L Pitts and Maria L Pitts his wife of the County of Essex and Town of Tappahannock and Susan Crittenden of the said County of the first part and Thomas Wright Sen of the County aforesaid of the second part. Witnesseth that the said Reuben L Pitts and Maria L his wife and the said Susan Crittenden for and in consideration of the sum of Ninety seven dollars & fifty Cents to the said Reuben L Pitts and Maria L his wife and the like sum of Ninety seven dollars and fifty Cents to the said Susan Crittenden to them severally and respectively in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright Sen at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof they and each of them do hereby severally and respectively acknowledge the said Reuben L Pitts and Maria L his wife have granted bargained sold aliened released enfeoffed and Confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release enfeoff and Confirm unto the said Thomas Wright Sen and his heirs assigns forever a certain undivided eighth part of a Tract of land situate lying and being in the said County of Essex Containing by estimation One hundred and thirty acres be the same more or less bounded by the lands of Edmund F Noel the dower lands held at this time by Mrs Ian Dunn in the lands of her late husband Thomas Dunn decd and others, it being the right acquired by the said Reuben L Pitts under a certain deed bearing date the 18" February 1832 and admitted to record on the 3d March 1832 in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex purporting to be made by Richard H Beazley and Crete A his wife of the first part and the said Reuben L Pitts of the second part the interest of the said Crete A being acquired as an heir and distributee of her mother Susan Crittenden decd the wife of Samuel Crittenden decd and the said Susan Crittenden doth also grant bargain and sell alien

release enfeoff and confirm unto the said Thomas Wright Sen and his heirs and assigns forever another undivided eighth part in the land aforesaid which she acquired by descent from her father John F Crittenden decd who was a son and heir of said Susan Crittenden decd. To have and To hold the several interests herein and hereby conveyed unto the said Thomas Wright Sen and his heirs and assigns forever and to and for his and their only proper use and behoof. And the said Reuben L Pitts and Maria L his wife and the said Susan Crittenden for themselves their heirs exors & admors do hereby severally and respectively covenant to and with the said Thomas Wright Sen as follows to wit that they the said Reuben L Pitts and Maria L his wife will protect and defend the interest herein and hereby conveyed to him by the said Reuben L Pitts and Maria L his wife against the claim or demand of all and every person & persons whosoever, & that she the said Susan Crittenden will in like manner defend the interest herein and hereby conveyed by her to the said Thomas Wright Sen against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever. In Witness whereof the said Reuben L Pitts and Maria L his wife and the said Susan Crittenden have hereunder set their hands and Seals the day and year first herein written.

10" line 2nd p. his words "for	)	R L Pitts
themselves their heirs exors	)	M L Pitts
& admors interlined before	)	Susan Crittenden
signed Executed in pre-	)	
sence of	)	

Essex County to wit

We Richard Croxton & Tho C Gordon Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Maria L Pitts the wife of Reuben A Pitts parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 13" November 1832 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Maria L Pitts acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 19" day of November 1835.

Richd Croxton
Thomas C Gordon

Essex County to wit

We Henry W Latane and Thomas Wright Jr Justices of the peace in the County of Essex in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Susan Crittenden a party to a certain deed hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County

aforesaid and acknowledge the same to be her act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 1st day of April 1836

H W Latane
Thos. Wright jr

Essex County Court Clerks Office April 21st 1836

This deed was acknowledged in the said Office by R L Pitts and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

	Thomas Wright Senr	31	11		

1 Coachee $200	10.41

The 1836 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox
Same			233½	A. F Rennolds

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90
9 West	4.20	150	976.54

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
7	49	
	79	

On June 21, 1836, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/148 Thomas Wright and Mary Wright sold to Johnathan Latham a tract of land:

"This Indenture made this 21st June 1836 between Thomas Wright Senr and Mary his wife of the one part and Johnathan Latham of the other part all of the county of Essex and State of Virginia. Witnesseth. That the said Thomas Wright Senr and Mary his wife in consideration of the sum of nine hundred Dollars of lawful money of this Commonwealth to them in hand paid by the said Jonathan Latham at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Have bargained and sold and by these presents do and each of them doth bargain and sell unto the said Jonathan Latham his heirs and assigns all that portion of the Tract of land lying and being in the County of Essex commonly known by the name of Brambleton or frittendors not included in a Deed to Arthur J Sale Trustee for Henry T Sale and wife bearing date with this Indenture also including the land purchased of John Brown decd. except the burying ground reserved by John Brown decd in a conveyance to Thos Wright Sr together with all and singular the buildings and appurtenances whatsoever to the said land belonging or appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders thereof and of every part and parcel thereof. To Have and To Hold the said Tracts of land with all and singular the premises herein before mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold unto the said Jonathan Latham his heirs and assigns forever to and for the only proper use and behoof of him the said Jonathan Latham his heirs and assigns forever and the said Thomas Wright Senr. and Mary his wife for themselves and their heirs the said land with all and singular the premises and appurtenances before mentioned unto the said Jonathan Latham his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of them the said Thos Wright Senr and Mary his wife or either of them their or either of their heirs and of all and every person or persons whatsoever shall Will and do warrant and forever defend by these presents In Witness whereof the said Thomas Wright Senr and Mary his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written

Thos. Wright Sr
Mary Wright

Essex County to wit

We Henry W Latane and Thos Wright Jr Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Thos Wright Senr a party to a certain Deed bearing date on the 21st day of June 1836 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be his act and Deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 21st day of June 1836

H W Latane
Thos Wright jr

Essex County to wit

We Henry W Latane and Thos Wright jr Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Mary Wright the wife of Thomas Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 21st day of June 1836 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Mary Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed Sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 21st day of June 1836

H. W. Latane
Thos. Wright jr

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 18" day of July 1836. This deed was produced in Court and with the Justices Certificates annexed Ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr, Clk"

On October 10, 1836, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/186 Thomas Wright, Sr., purchased from Benjamine F. and Alice J. Jones 400 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 10th day of October one thousand eight hundred and thirty six between Benjamine F Jones and Alice J his wife of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the one part and Thomas Wright Sr. of the same County and state of the other part Witnesseth that the said Benjamine F Jones and his wife for and in Consideration of the sum of three thousand dollars to him in hand paid at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof he does hereby acknowledge hath granted bargained and sold and by

these presents doth grant bargain and sell to the sd Thomas Wright Sr his heirs and assigns forever a Certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of King & Queen and Essex, containing four hundred acres and is bounded as followeth To wit: Beginning at a white oak in the road Corner to the land purchased by John Jones of Coleman Jones and runing thence S 26° W one hundred and sixty eight poles to a large spanish oak in Semples line, thence N 70½° W twenty poles to a maple in the swamp Corner to Fleet in Semples line thence up the branch according to its meanders to a post in the road at the head of the branch thence N 54° W fourteen and a half poles to a Pine in the fork of the road thence N 28° E thirty two and a half poles to a small white oak in Fleet's line, thence N 65° 1/4 E one hundred and twenty four poles to the head of a small branch thence down the branch with its meanders to a poplar Corner to Semple and Bennett thence S 31° E seventy four poles to a Locust Corner to Semple thence N 88½° E thirteen and three fourths poles to Cedar and Gum pointers Corner to Carter Croxton thence N 54° E thirty eight poles to a Hickory in Carter Croxtons line thence S 1/2° E forty four poles to a large red oak Corner to Semple thence S 29½° E seventy poles to a Dogwood in Semples line thence S 69° W one hundred and eighty two poles to a small Dogwood Corner in the land purchased by John Jones of Coleman Jones thence S 60° W sixty poles to the road thence N 43½° W twenty one poles to the begining, together with all houses gardens orchards, woods, ways, waters, hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and all the estate right title and interest whatsoever of them the said Benjamine F Jones and Alice J his wife to have and to hold the said land as above bounded with the appurtenances thereunto belonging to him the said Thomas Wright Sr his heirs and assigns forever to his and their proper use and behoof forever and the said Benjamine F Jones and Alice his wife do Covenant and grant to and with the said Thos Wright Sr his heirs and assigns that the said Thos. Wright Sr his heirs and assigns shall and may from time to time and at all times hereafter peacably have and hold the said land and premises as above mentioned with the appurtenances thereto belonging to his proper use and behoof forever. And the said Benjamine F Jones and Alice his wife their heirs and assigns the aforementioned land with the appurtenances to him the said Thos Wright Sr his heirs and assigns from the claim or claims of any person or persons whomsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said Benjamine F Jones and Alice his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written

B F Jones
A J Jones

Essex Cty ZZ

Mr. Austin Brockenbrough and Tho C Gordon Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid, in the state of Virginia do hereby Certify that Alice J Jones wife

of B F Jones parties to a certain deed bearing date the tenth of October 1836 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Alice J Jones acknowledged the same to be her act and deed declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wishes not to retract it Given under our hands and seals this tenth day of October 1836

Austin Brockenbrough
Thomas C Gordon

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17" day of October 1836. This Deed was acknowledged in open Court by Benjamin F Jones to be his act and deed and with the Justices Certificate annexed Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Senr	31	11		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Amount of Tax Cents
1 Coachee $200	10.41	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox
Same			400	John Jones
Same			233½	A. F. Rennolds

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
10 SW	8.90	2000	9353.90
13 do	9.43	2000	3772.00
9 West	4.20	150	976.50

Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
7.49	400 acres added Conveyed to you by
3.02	D. F. Jones
.79	

This record reflects the purchase in 1836 of 400 acres of land by Essex County Deed 45/186.

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Sen with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thos Wright Sen	29	8		
Riding					
1 Coachee $200		11.__			

The 1838 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox
Same			400	John Jones

Distance and bearing from the court House	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dollars Cents				
10 SW	8.90	1000	9353.90	9.36	233½ Acres
13 do	9.43	1000	3772.00	3.77	deducted Conveyd __ Latham and Arthur __

This record reflects the sale in 1836 of the parcel of land by Essex County Deed 45/148, the acreage of which was not listed in the deed but based on this record must have been 233½ acres.

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Senr	32	10		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $200	12.40

The 1839 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox
Same			400	Jefferson Hiner

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls cents				
10 West	8.90	1000	9353.90	9.36	
13 do	9.43	1000	3772.00	3.77	

Death Notices From Richmond, Virginia, Newspapers 1821- 1840 listed the following obituary for 1840 Thomas Wright:

"Died at his residence in Essex Co., on 31st Ult., Mr. Thomas Wright, Sr., age 71, leaving widow & children. Re, April 14, 1840, p.3."

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Est with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules and Colts	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
Thomas Wright Est	34	14		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	13.82
1 Coachee $100	

This record reflects the death of Thomas Wright on March 31, 1840.

The 1840 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Estate with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description & Situation of the Land
Thomas Wright Senr	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox &c Estate
Same			400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls cts	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax whole tract of on the Land at the legal rate
10 West	9.00	800	9459.00	9.46
13 do	6.50	1000	2600.00	2.60

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The will of Thomas Wright was dated on August 19, 1836, probated on July 20, 1840, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 24/492, and provided as follows:

"I Thomas Wright Sen: of the County of Essex and State of Virginia, make this my last Will and Testament I give to my son George Wright a negro woman now in his possession Malissa and her three children Considering Malissa and her two youngest children to be worth One Thousand Dollars, Malissas other Child Frances I give to him as a Compensation for keeping the Woman and raising the Two children Having Given him Two hundred Dollars, which he has received from me at a former time in Conjunction with the negroes above named I value at Twelve hundred Dollars and charge him with that amount, for which he will account at the final Devision of my Estate. I do not wish him to account for a Cow and Calf Yoke of Oxen, a horse and a bed and bedding -

I have given to my son Thomas Wright One Thousand Dollars, which he has received from me for which he must account at the final Division of my Estate I do not wish him to account for a Cow and Calf Yoke of Oxen a horse and bed and bedding except Thirty Dollars as the horse I gave him was worth that much more than any of the horses I have given my other children -

I have given to my son James Wright a negro girl now in his possession Called Maria worth five hundred Dollars, for which he must account at the final Devision of my Estate. I do not wish him to account for a Cow and Calf Yoke of Oxen, a horse, and a bed and bedding -

I give to my son Richard Wright a negro boy Called Jesse which boy I value at Three hundred Dollars. I have awarded One hundred and ten Dollars to him in lieu of Cow and Calf, Yoke Oxen, bed and bedding. I do not wish him to account for the hundred and ten Dollars and a horse which I have given him. I wish him to have Two hundred Dollars extra

I give to Robert Wrights four Children viz Betty S Wright Benjamin P Wright Mary L Wright and Catharine M Wright a negro man named Musever now in

possession of his Estate, which negro I value at four hundred and fifty dollars which they must account for at the final Devision of my Estate. I gave to their father a Cow and Calf, a Yoke of Oxen, a horse and a bed and bedding which I do not wish them to account for at the final Devision of my Estate. The said Robert Wrights Estate has in possession a negro girl Called Lucinda which negro must be returned to use or to my Estate (she being bound)

I give to my son William Wright a negro boy called John, which boy I value at Two hundred and seventy five Dollars, also Ninety two acres of land, which land I purchased of Benjamin Fleet for four hundred and sixty Dollars, which together with the above mentioned boy he must account for at the final Division of my Estate. I give him One hundred and fifty Dollars extra. I also give him a Cow and Calf, a yoke of oxen, a horse worth Seventy Dollars and a good bed and beding which he is not to account for at the final Devision of my Estate.

I give to my Daughter Mary E. Jones, a negro girl now in the possession of Mr E. M Jones named Mildred, which girl I valued at four hundred Dollars, which amount Mr. Jones must account for at the final Division of my Estate. I have given her a Cow and Calf, a Yoke of Oxen, a horse and a bed and beding, which I do not wish her to account for at the final Devision of my Estate.

I give to my son Charles Henry Stuart Wright a negro boy, Called Nelson, which boy I value at Three hundred and fifty Dollars which amount he must account for at the final Devision of my Estate. I also give him a Cow and Calf, a Yoke of Oxen, a horse worth Seventy Dollars a good bed and bedding, which I do not wish him to account for at the final Devision of my Estate.

I give to my son Edward L Wright a negro boy named Edgar which boy I value at One hundred and fifty Dollars, which amount he must account for at the final Devision of my Estate. I also give to him a Cow and Calf, a Yoke of Oxen, a horse worth Seventy Dollars and a good bed and bedding, which I do not wish him to account for at the final Devision of my Estate. As my son Edward L Wright has Commenced the studdy of Medicine I Direct that he shall Continue it, and that the funds neccessary for its Completion shall be furnished from the income of my Estate, in such quantities and at such times as may be required, and that the ammount furnished him for the Completion of his professional studies shall be charged and deducted from his proportion at the Devision of my Estate.

I give to my Daughter Susan M Wright a negro girl named Martha which negro I value at Three hundred and fifty Dollars which she must account for at the final Devision of my Estate. I also give her a Cow and Calf, a yoke of oxen, a horse worth Seventy Dollars a bed and beding and a handsome Bureau and looking Glass which I do not wish her to account for at the final Devision of my Estate.

I direct and wish it expressly understood that the above mentioned articles of property given to my children shall be Delivered to them at the pleasure of their Mother when she may think and find it Convenient.

Having named all my Dear children and the property given to each of them I now Direct that the residue of my Estate shall be kept together and managed as at present all of which I loan to my Dear and beloved Wife Mary Wright During her natural Life for the support of herself and my youngest Children who may reside with her.

As I above Directed that my Estate must be kept together and have loaned it to my beloved Wife I wish it to be understood that my single or unmarried Children may be allowed to make her house their house, free of board for themselves, but should they keep horses, it must be at their individual expense.

I give to my son Charles Henry Stuart Wright my plantation Called Retreat lying in the Counties of Essex and King and Queen, to be received by him at the death of his Mother and as his full proportion of my landed Estate he paying to his brothers and Sisters Thirteen hundred and ninety Dollars. It being worth that much more than the plantation Brambleton I gave him in a former Will.

Lastly I direct that at the Death of my beloved Wife, that my plantation on which I now reside, shall be sold on a Credit of One Two and Three years. And that all my Estate be then equally Divided between my surviving Children and Robert Wrights Children to have their fathers' part, deducting as above mentioned from each which they have or will by that time have received. My son Charles Henry Stuart Wright is not to receive any part of the money from the sale of the land, having given to him my above named plantation Retreat except Thirteen hundred and ninety Dollars to be paid to his brothers and sisters, as his full part of my landed Estate.

My three men Sam, Big Henry and Payne in Consideration of their general good Conduct I direct shall have the privilege of selecting their homes with any of my children they may prefer, they to be taken at a fair valuation.

It is my wish for my son Charles Henry Stuart to Continue with his Mother During her life and manage the Estate for her and in Consideration of his services I Direct that he shall have a fair Compensation, the amount to be agreed on between himself and Mother - It is also my request that his brothers James Richard and William will give him all the instruction in their power and aid him in the management of the farm, selling the Crops &c

Should any of my children who may have received property or money or against whom I have any account plead the relaption of time or object to their allowance.

Then I finally Direct that the whole amount be deducted from their proportion at the Devision of my estate.

In Conclusion I appoint my Sons James, Richard, William and Charles Henry Stuart my executors and it is my wish that they should act.

Signed and Sealed in
the presence of
Achilles Lumpkin
Jno H. Collins
George Skelton
Thos Harper
Robert Rose

Thos. Wright Sr
August 19th 1836

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 20th Day of July 1840 This last Will and Testament of Thomas Wright Senr. being brought into Court was proved by the oaths of Thos Harper and Robert Rose two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded Whereupon on the motion of James Wright one of the nominal Executors in the said last Will and Testament a Certificate was granted him in order to his obtaining probat thereof in due form of law, he having first taken the oath in such Case required by law, and entered into a bond, made payable to the sitting Justices in the penalty of Ninety thousand Dollars with George Wright, Thomas Wright, William Wright, Charles H. Wright, Edward L Wright, Thomas N Clarke Wm B Davis and Robert M Davis his Securities approved of us such by the Court, which said bond being Conditioned as the law Directs, was acknowledged by the obligors and also ordered to be recorded

Teste.
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of December 1849 - On the Motion of Richard Wright one of the Nominal Executors in this last Will and Testament of Thomas Wright decd a Certificate was granted him in order to his obtaining probat thereof in due form of Law he having first taken the oath in such case required by law and entered into a bond made payable to the Commonwealth of Virginia in the penalty of Sixty thousand dollars with Robert M Davis William B Davis, John W Faulconer, George T Wright, John F Hoskins and Thomas N Clarke his securities, approved of as such by the Court which said bond being conditioned as the law directs was acknowledged by the obligors and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

See original Will filed in Bundle Deeds Wills &c March Court 1854 for the order of Court certifying the qualification of William Wright another Executor named in the Will of Thomas Wright decd.

See original Will filed Bundle Deeds Wills &c October Court 1859 for the order of Court Certifying William Wright entering into a new bond for his executorship aforesaid"

This record identifies the family of Thomas Wright as follows:

Wife: Mary (____) Wright,

Children:
1) George Wright,
2) Thomas Wright,
3) James Wright,
4) Richard Wright,
5) Robert Wright,
6) Benjamin Wright,
7) Mary E. (Wright) Jones,
8) Charles Henry Stuart Wright,
9) Edward L. Wright, and
10) Susan M. Wright,

Grandchildren, children of son Robert Wright:
1) Betty S. Wright,
2) Benjamin P. Wright,
3) Mary L. Wright,
4) Catharine M. Wright.

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Est with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	Thomas Wright Est		5	29

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Carriages, whether four Wheel or two wheel riding Carriages, phaetons, Stage wagons, Carryalls and Jersey wagons, and all Others with the value thereof including Harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
10	1 Gig $40 Coachee $150	17.35

The 1841 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Estate with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright Senr Est	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox
Same			400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the Court house		Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax on the Land at the legal rate
10 West	9.00	800	9459.00	11.86
13 do	6.50	1000	2600.00	5.25

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	Mary Wright		7	26

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
10						

Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $10 1 Coachee $450	16.95

The similarity of the property to the property listed in the 1841 Personal Property Tax List indicates that the Mary Wright of this listing was Mary (Pitts) Wright.

The 1842 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Est with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright Senr Est	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox
Same			400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of __ Land per Acre Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land ____count	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
10 West	9.00	800	9459.00	11.82
13 do	6.50	1000	2600.00	3.25

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Est with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
	Thomas Wright Est		26	4

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks
7					1

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents
			1	10.00		

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $150	17.53

The 1843 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Est with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright Senr Est	Essex	fee	1051	William Cox
Same			400	Jeff Minor

Distance and bearing from the Court house	__ Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value ____
10 West	9.00	800	9459.00	14.19
13 do	6.50	1000	2600.00	3.90

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household on May 29:

Date of receiving Lists ___	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax _____	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
May 29	Mary Wright		30	9

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and value	Gold Watches	____
1 $75			1 $10		
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
		1			
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
					15.87½

The 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Est with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Lands as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright Senr Est	Essex	fee	1051	H W Latane
Same			400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
10 West	9.00	800	9459.00
13 do	6.50	1000	2600.00

Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
11.83	
3.25	

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Mary Wright		24	4	9

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $50				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
			1		

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				10.73½

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Est with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright Senr Est	Essex	fee	1051	Henry W Latane & others
Same			400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
10 West	9.00	800	9459.00	9.46
13 ditto	6.50	1000	2600.00	2.60

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Mrs Mary Wright		28	1	9

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $76				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
			1		

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				11.44½

The 1846 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Est with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright Senr Est	Essex	fee	1051	Henry W Latane
Same			400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
10 West	9.00	800	9459.00	9.46
13 do	6.50	1000	2600.00	2.60

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Mary Wright		29	1	7

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches
$80				

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				11.75

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Est with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
Thomas Wright Senr Est	Essex	fee	1051	Henry W Latane
Same			400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
10 West	9.00	800.00	9459.00	9.46
13 "	6.50	1000.00	2600.00	2.60

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
Mary Wright		28	2	9

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $80				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				11.95

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Est with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
Thomas Wright Est	Essex	fee	1051	Henry W Latane
Same	"	"	400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
10 W	9.00	800.00	9459.00	9.46
13 Do	6.50	6000.00	2600.00	2.60

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Mary Wright		30	4	10

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $60				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				13.03

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Est with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright Senr Est	Essex	Fee	1051	Henry W L Temple
Same Same	"	"	400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
10 W	9.00	800	9459.00	9.46
13 "	6.50	1000	2600.00	2.60

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Mary Wright		31	5	10

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $60				

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			13.67

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Senr Est with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright Senr Est	Essex	Fee	1051	Henry W L Temple
Same Same	"	"	400	Jefferson Minor

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
10 W	9.00	800.00	9459.00	9.46
13 "	6.50	1000.00	2600.00	2.60

Explanation of alteration during the preceding
year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright with the following household on August 21, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Mary Wright	74	F		.	10000
Richard Wright	45	M		Manager	
William Wright	40	M		Constable	
Lucinda Wright	30	F		.	
Matilda Wright	10	F		.	
Thornton Cox	28	M		Carpenter	
Mary Jones	38	F		.	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that Mary (Pitts) Wright was born in about 1776.

The death record of Mary Wright was dated on September 17, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Name of decedent: Mary Wright
Date of Death: September 17, 1859
Place of Death:
Cause of Death: Paralysis
Age 82 years, 11 months, 11 days
Parents: Thomas Pitts and ____
Place Born: Essex County
Occupation:
Married or Single: Widow
Consort:

Informant: William Wright
Relationship to Decedent: Son"

This record confirms the date of birth of Mary (Pitts) Wright as on October 6, 1776.

On November 21, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 28/190 the inventory and appraisement for the estate of Mary Wright dated November 3, 1859, was filed:

"An Inventory and appraisement of the property belonging to the Est of Mary Wright decd made this 3rd day November 1859 by Wm and E L Wright administrators

1 pair large steelyards	2.00
1 Set Silver Table spoons	10.00
5 Silver Tea Spoons	4.00
1 Waiter & doz Knives & forks	3.00
10 Knives & forks White handles	1.00
8 " " " Buck	.50
2 pair stake dishes @ 75¢	1.50
1 Rim & Castors	1.50
3 Coffee pots	.50
3 Small 1 large Bowl	1.00
2 Pitchers	.75
3 Dishes	.75
Tea Board & Tea Sett	2.00
5 Yellow & 1 Tin pan	1.00
1 Tea pot	.13
13 Stone Jars	3.00
1 pewter Basin	.25
1 Set Candle Moulds	.50
1 Lot Tin	1.00
1 Tea Kettle & Trivet	.50
1 pair and Irons	1.00
Seed Cotton per pound 2½	
Wool pr pound 33⅓	
Sweet potatoes pr Bush 25¢	
Irish potatoes pr Bus 25¢	
1 Tin Trunk	1.00
Tallow pr pound 12½	
4 Window Blinds & fixtures	5.00
1 Rocking Chair cane bottom	3.00
1 Sofa	6.00
1 large Tea Tray	.50
1 pr Metal Lamps	.50
9 Gobletts	2.00
14 Glass Tumblers	1.50

1 preserve Stand	.25
2 pr Candlesticks & Snuffers	1.00
1 pr Vasses	.25
1 Doz linen Napkins	2.00
5 Table Clothes	5.00
10 Table Covers	1.50
1 Easy Chair	2.00
1 Flag Rocking chair	.50
2 Wash Bowls & Pitchers	1.50
1 Slop Bucket	.25
1 Carpet upstirs	3.00
1 Carpet Sitting Room	12.00
3 pair Blankets @ $4	12.00
To Amt Brot up	
2 Yarn Counterpins @ 5.00	10.00
4 Chambers	.50
1 Bedstead	2.00
1 passage Carpet	1.50
4 Table Covers	1.00
1 Ward Robe	5.00
1 Wash Stand	1.00
1 Bed & Bedding	15.00
1 Dressing Glass	2.00
1 Lounge & Contents	2.50
1 Brass Clock	2.00
1 Rocking & 2 flag chairs	1.00
1 Wash stand	.50
1 Bowl & pitcher	.50
1 Cot & Contents	2.00
1 Bed pan	.50
8 pair Sheets	4.00
12 Jeans Towels	1.00
6 Draper Towles	1.00
2 pair pillow Cases	.50
6 Window Curtains	1.00
5 Bolster Cases	.50
1 White Counterpin	3.00
1 Canopy	.50
5 Screens	.63
1 Cloths Basket	.12
1 Lot Barrels	1.00
1 Carpet	1.00
1 Loom	2.00
1 Spinning Wheel	1.00
2 Wheel Barrows	.25

5 pr Sheep Shears	1.00
Corn pr Barrel on Cob $275 pr	
Blade fodder per Stack $5.00	
Top fodder round Stack 50 each	
Top fodder in frame 5 Cents pr foot	
Shucks in fodder Stack and on the stalk	25.00
1 Lot Wheat Straw	5.00
1 Cross Cut Saw	1.50
2 Hand Saws	1.50
1 Foot adds	.75
1 Lot Tools	1.50
1 Wheat Fan	15.00
1 Gun	1.00
1 Corn Shelter	10.00
Oats pr Bus 40¢	
Amt Brot up	
peas pr Bus 75¢	
16 Sheep Skins	3.00
27 Bags Guano	1.00
2 oil Cans	.25
5 pr leading lines	.50
1 Wheat Sifter	.25
2 pit Saws	.50
1 Cob Crusher	10.00
3½ bus Measures	2.25
3 pr Wedges	2.25
4 Rakes	.25
20 Weeding Hoes	2.00
13 Hilling Hoes	2.50
Lot Old Iron	1.00
1 Grass Scythe	.13
4 axes	2.50
Wheat Machine	75.00
7 Scythes & Cradle	3.50
33 old Hogs @ 4.50	
11 Shoats @ 2.00	
7 Pigs @ 1.00	
1 Waggon body	2.50
8 plough & waggon gear	4.00
1 Waggon	25.00
1 Raw Hide	1.00
2 plough Gear	1.00
15 Swingletrees	3.00
2 Markers	1.00
2 Harrows Iron Tooth	3.00

4 Cultivators	4.00
1 Do Case _ath	.50
14 ploughs for	8.00
1 old Gray Mare	50.00
1 Young Gray Mare	100.00
1 Gray Horse	100.00
1 Mule Delpha	125.00
1 " Rock	100.00
1 " Bil	40.00
1 " Thornton	125.00
1 " Jim	75.00
1 " Joe	125.00
1 " Rachel	75.00
1 " Jack	30.00
plank one Cent pr Foot	
2 large Iron pots	5.00
1 Churn	.50
2 Sifters	.25
2 Spiders	1.00
To Amt Brot up	
1 Small oven	.50
1 Tea Kettle	.25
1 Bucket	.25
1 Large Oven	1.00
1 Baker	.25
1 pr Tongs & Shovel	.25
1 large oven	1.00
4 Trays	.50
3 half Hogs	7.00
2 Firkins	.50
1 old Cart Body	.25
80 Bushels Wheat seeded on Poplar Grove farm at $20	96.00
Amount for Seeding	80.00
1 G__ Carpet	10.00
1 long Rug	2.00
1 Small Rug	2.00
1 Brass Kettle	1.50
Turnips pr Bushels White 5 ct	
Turnips pr Bushel Roottabager 5¢ at Poplar Grove	
3 ladders	.50
Turnips pr Bus at quarter Roottabake 5¢	
White per bucket 5¢	
Corn on the Cob 2.75 pr Barrel	
4 Stacks Blade fodder	20.00
Shucks	5.00

Top fodder on frame 5 Cents pr foot	
peas pr Bus 75¢	
Sow	6.00
Short Corn pr Barrel 1.37½ on Cob	
1 plough & Swingletree	2.00
1 Cultivator	1.00
4 Axes	1.50
8 Weeding Hoes	1.00
3 Grubbing Hoes	1.50
1 Auger	.25
6 Shoats for	21.00
1 1/2 Hog	4.00

R G Haile Sr)
Joseph Mann) Appraisors
Richard P Banks)

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 21st day of November 1859

This Appraisement was this day returned and ordered to be Recorded

Teste"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Thomas Wright was a son of Benjamin Wright and and Alfrica (Stuart) Wright, was born in 1769, married Mary "Polly" Pitts, resided at "Poplar Grove", and died in 1840, and that Thomas Wright and Mary (Pitts) Wright had the following children:

1) George Wright, born in 1795,
2) Thomas Wright, Jr., born in 1796,
3) James Wright,
4) Richard Wright, born in 1804,
5) Robert Wright, born in 1805,
6) William Wright, born in 1810,
7) Mary E. Wright, born in 1812,
8) Charles Henry Stuart Wright, born in 1815,
9) Edward L. Wright, born in 1816, and

10) Benjamin Wright.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Thomas Wright and Mary (Pitts) Wright were the following:

1) George Wright, born on March 5, 1795, in Virginia,

2) Thomas Wright, Jr., born on April 23, 1797, in Essex County, Virginia,

3) Benjamin Wright, born on August 12, 1799,

4) James Wright, born on October 18, 1801,

5) Richard Wright, born on April 18, 1804, in Virginia,

6) Robert Wright, born on May 27, 1806,

7) Henry Wright, born on September 25, 1808,

8) William Wright, born on January 22, 1810, in Virginia,

9) Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones, born on March 30, 1812, in Virginia,

10) Charles Henry Stuart Wright, born on March 12, 1815,

11) Edward Lawrence Wright, born on November 17, 1816, in Essex County, Virginia, and

12) Susan Matilda Wright, born on June 29, 1819.

a. <u>1850 George Wright Of Essex County, His Wives Susan F. (Jones) Wright And Mary B. (Spindle) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

1850 George Wright of Essex County was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
Marriages

George Wright was married to Susan Jones on the 17th of January 1816
. . . .

Births

. . . .

George Wright son of Thomas Wright senior and Mary his wife was born March 5th 1795

. . . .

Deaths.

Died, at Prospect Hill, in the county of Essex, on the 11th of the present month, in the 44th year of her age, Mrs. Susan F. Wright, the wife of Col. George Wright, leaving a disconsolate husband and three sons, with an extensive circle of relations and friends, to lament their melancholy bereavement

Col. George Wright of Essex County, breathed his last at his residence, "Prospect Hill," on Friday the 29th day of November, leaving a large and interesting family and an extensive circle of relatives and friends to mourn his loss . . . ."

This record indicates that George Wright was born on March 5, 1795, married Susan Jones on January 17, 1816, and died on November 29, 18_, in Essex County, Virginia. November 29 in 1850 was a Friday and November 29 was not a Friday again until 1861, so the year of death from this record would have been 1850. This is confirmed in the Bible Records set forth below.

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
Marriages

George Wright to Susan F Jones 17 January 1816
Thomas Wright Jr to Mary Jones 21st Feby 1821
Reuben Lindsay Pitts to Keturah Waller Jones the 16th day of November 1822
Laurence Roane to Sarah A Jones April 3rd 1828
John J. Wright to Eliza J Noel July 6. 1842
Benjamin E. Wright to Sarah Rebecca Spindle December 5th 1844
Capt John Jones to Sally Fisher October 3rd 1798
George Wright to Mary B. Spindle Jany 30. 1844

Births

George Wright 5 March 1795
Thomas Wright 23rd April 1797

Benjamin Wright 12th Aug. 1799
James Wright 18th Octo. 1801
Richard Wright 18 April 1804
Robert Wright 27 May 1806
Henry Wright 25 Sepr. 1808
William Wright 22nd Jany 1810
Mary E. Wright 30th March 1812
Charles Henry Wright 16th March 1815
Edward Lawrence Wright 16th Nov 1816
Susan Matilda Wright 29th June 1819
Thomas Wright Senr. 27th July 1769
Mary Wright October 6th 1776

Susan F. Wright 13" July 1799
Keturah W. Jones 5 July 1802
Mary D. Jones 4 Octo. 1805
Sarah Ann Jones 25 Nov. 1810

John Jones their father 26th Apl 1772
Sally Jones their mother 7th Feby 1780
Susanna Fisher Sept 22nd 1746
Benjamin Fisher May 10th 1736
Benom Broach who lived with Geo Wright in 1820- 15th June 1799
Capt Wm. Fisher-January 24th 1762
Thomas H. Pitts March 18. 1793
Selden Stuart Wright 7 Mar 1822
Sally Waller Wright 8th Sept. 1823
Francis Jones 21 Mar 1739
Nancy Fisher 25th. March 1765
John Henry Pitts 26th June 1825
Mary B. Wright 2nd wife of George Wright November 16th, 1807
Mary Susan daughter of Geo & M. B. Wright November 16. 1846
Alfred Mortimer Wright 6th Jan 1817
John Jones Wright 9th June 1819
George Thomas 6th October 1821
a son born dead 29th Nov. 1823
Benjamin Erasmus Wright July 19th, 1825
a son born dead 9 Novr. 1827
John J. Wright's children
Susan Jones Wright May 5, 1843
Geo. Wrights children a son born dead March 5th 1845 by M. B. W.
Benja E. Wrights children
George Silas Septr 18. 1846
John Erasmus Jones Wright Sept 22nd. 1849
Sarah Georgena Wright 13th day of Feb'ry 1851

Baptisms

George Wright was baptized at Beverleys Mill by the Revd. Thomas M. Henley the 22nd April 1821-at same time Lenard Sale and Stephen Pitts & 3 blacks

Susan F Jones August 1812

Deaths

George Wright 29th day of Nov. 1850
Sarah Georgene Wright 23rd day of May 1851
Mary B. Wright 28th November 1873
Alfred Mortimer Wright 5th Decr. 1818
Mrs. Sally Jones the first wife of Capt John Jones 25th November 1810
Capt John Jones 6th June 1819 aged 47 years, 1 month, 11 days
Henry Wright the son of Thomas Wright Senr 24th Jany 1808
Julia Ann Bowie Decr. 1820
Benjamin Fisher Mar 31st 1799 aged 63 years 1 mo. 10 days
Susanna Fisher May 11th 1821 aged 74 years 4 mo. 11 days
Capt Streshly Rennolds July 25th 1822
Mary D. Wright 10th Sepr. 1823
Capt William Fisher Decr. 1824

Mrs Rebecca J. Munday 2nd June 1828 and her son William Munday 5th June 1828

Mrs Keturrah W. Pitts 30th Sept 1826
Benjamin Wright 6th Septr 1830
Robert Wright 31 July 1836
Thomas Wright Senr. 31 March 1840 at 35 minutes past 7 o clock A M.
Susan Matilda Wright 4th December 1840
Charles H. Wright 4 May 1842
Sally Waller Wright June 26. 1826

Mrs. Susan F. Wright 11th Nov 1842, 10 minutes after 1 oclock P.M. at Prospect Hill Essex Co Va In the Richmond Enquirer and Whig of the 25 Nov 1842 & in the Religious Herald of the 1st Decr. 1842 was published the following

Died at Prospect Hill, in the county of Essex on the 11th ultimo, in the 44th year of her age, Mrs. Susan F. Wright, the wife of Col. George Wright, leaving a disconsolate husband and three sons, with an extensive circle of relatives and friends . . . . at the early age of 12 she made an open profession of the Christian religion, and immediately attached herself to the Upper Essex Baptist Church. Of that church she remained, until her death, an unwavering and devoted member.

Sally Spindle May 9th 1848
Sarah Ann Roane Sptr 29 1848-25 m. after 1 oclock AM
Sarah Rebecca wife of B.E. Wright October 11, 1849 at 2 oclock P.M

Sarah Rebecca the wife of Benjamin E. Wright and only daughter of Silas and Martha Spindle both decd. died at Sheba in Essex County at 2 Oclock PM on wednesday the 11th October 1849 leaving two children George Sales and John Erasmus Jones Wright--see Register in this book for their ages--

Births

Thomas Shepherd Wright	June	1826
Mary Elizabeth Wright	May	1828
Louisa Virginia Wright	Jany 28	1830
Emily Matilda Wright	Dec 19	1833
Ann Garnett Wright	January 7	1836
Jennette Stoddard Wright	July 18	1820
Thomas Wright & Jennette Stoddard Kirkham married	6 Nov.	1846

Thomas Wright & his wife & his two daughters Emily Matilda & Ann Garnett took the Mary Washington Steam Boat for Mississippi at Layters on the 29th November 1848"

This record indicates that George Wright was born on March 5, 1795, married first Susan F. Jones on January 17, 1816, married second Mary B. Spindle on on January 30, 1844, and died on November 29 1850, in Essex County, Virginia, that Susan F. (Jones) Wright was born on July 13, 1799, and died on November 11, 1842, at Prospect Hill, Essex County, Virginia, and that George Wright and Susan F. (Jones) Wright had the following children:

1) Alfred Mortimer Wright, born on January 6, 1817,
2) John Jones Wright, born on June 9, 1819,
3) George Thomas Wright, born on October 6, 1821,
4) ____ Wright, a son, born and died on November 29, 1823,
5) Benjamin Erasmus Wright, born on July 19, 1825, and
6) ____ Wright, a son, born and died on November 9, 1827, and

that George Wright and Mary B. (Spindle) Wright had the following children:

1) ____ Wright, a son, born and died on March 5, 1845, and
2) Mary Susan Wright, born on November 16, 1846.

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Dr. John Jones Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which provided as follows with regard to his family:

"Family Record
Marriages
. . . .
Geo Wright to Susan F. Jones 17" January 1814
. . . .

Births
. . . .
Col Geo Wright 5 March 1795
Susan F Wright 5 July 1802
. . . .

Deaths

Susan F Wright wife of Geo Wright, and eldest daughter of John Jones died November 1842 leaving three sons, John J Geo T and B E. Wright

Geo Wright eldest son son of Thomas Wright died 29th November 1850 leaving four children three sons & one daughter
. . . .

Baptisms

George Wright at Beverly's Mill by Rev Thos ____ 22d April 1822
Susan F Jones Augt 11 1812"

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell and which were in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va
. . . .

Deaths
. . . .

Colo. George Wright brother to T. Wright 29th Nov.1850 of Essex County Va . . . ."

In her letter dated August 14, 1991, Dorothy Hankins enclosed a copy of genealogical notes by Mrs. Linnie Wright Barnett which stated that Essex County, Virginia, Court Order Book 41/370 dated in May 1814 listed the following entry:

"George Wright, son of Thomas Wright Sen'r, is recommended to the Governor and Council to be commissioned Lieutenant in Capt Carter M. Braxton's Company in the room of Alexander S Boughton, resigned."

The marriage record of George Wright and Susan F. Jones was dated on January 11, 1816, at Essex County, Virginia:

"The Clerk of Essex County has my consent to issue License for my son George Wright to intermarry with Susan F. Jones daughter of Capt. John Jones

Thos Wright Senior
11th of Jany 1816

Know all men by these presents, That we George Wright and John Jones are held and firmly bound unto Wilson C Nicholas Esquire, Governor or Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the just and full sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to which payment, well and truly to be made, to the said Governor and his successors, for the use of the Commonwealth, we bind ourselves, and each of us, our and each of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our Seals, and dated this 11th day of January one thousand eight hundred and Sixteen

The Condition of the above obligation is such, That whereas there is a Marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized betweeh the above bound George Wright Bachelor and Miss Susan F. Jones Now therefore, If there be no lawful cause to obstruct said Marriage, then the above Obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue

Signed, Sealed, and delivered in the presence of
W. B. Matthew as to G. Wright"

Geo. Wright
John Jones

The 1816 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons' names charged with the Tax	No of white males above 16 years old	No of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses	Stud horses No	Stud horses $ Cts
	George Wright	1				2

2 Wheeled riding __-riages & harne__ belonging thereto there		Phaetons, Stage waggons and Harness belonging thereto		Coaches and Harness belonging thereto		
Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Exceeding in value $200	Not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	Total amount of Taxes $ Cts
						.36

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on March 14:

Date of Receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Charged with the Tax	White males over 16 years old	Slaves over 16 years old	Slaves of the age of 12 & under 16 years old
March 14	George Wright	1	3	3

Horses	Stud horses No. $ Cts	2 Wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $100	2 Wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto Exceeding in value $100	Phaetons, Stage Waggons and harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $200	Phaetons, Stage Waggons and harness belonging thereto Exceeding in value $200
3		1	$50		

Coaches and Harness belonging thereto		
Not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	Total amt of Tax $ cts

5.24

On August 2, 1817, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/439 George Wright released any claim he had as trustee in certain land sold by James Dix to Catharine Dix:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 2d day of Augt. 1817 Between James Dix William B Matthews John B Burke, George Wright and Thomas M Henley all of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the one part and Catharine Dix of the same County and State of the other part. Whereas the above named James Dix on the 21st day of July 1817 by his certain Indenture of trust did convey to William B Matthews for the purpose of indemnifying and saving harmless John B Burke who had become bound as appearance bail for the said James Dix for sundry debts for which suits had been instituted against the said James Dix in Essex Superior and County Courts, a certain tract or parcel of land situated in Essex County being the same portion of land which was allotted to the said James Dix upon the Division of the lands of his father James Dix, the boundaries whereof will particularly appear by reference to a plat of the said land now of record in Essex County Court and contains by the said survey seventy five Acres, all of which will particularly appear by reference to the said deed recorded in Essex County Court 21st July 1817. And whereas the said James Dix by another conveyance bearing date the said 21st day of July 1817 and made between the said James Dix of the first part, George Wright of the second part and Thomas M Henley of the third part did among other things for the purposes expressed in the said conveyance, convey to the said George Wright all his the said James Dix's interest in the land above mentioned conveyed by him to William B Matthews for the purpose of indemnifying John B Burke as above expressed, after satisfying the demands of the said Burke, all of which will particularly appear by reference to the said deed also recorded in the County Court of Essex on the said 21st day of July 1817. And whereas the said James Dix by and with the consent and approbation of the said John B Burke and Thomas M Henley hath sold the said tract of land herein before expressed to the said Catharine Dix for the sum of five hundred and twenty five dollars, and at the instance of the said Burke and Henley the said Matthews and Wright have consented to become parties to this Indenture and to relinquish any claim or demand which they may have to the said Land in consequence of the conveyances made to them respectively as before expressed, for the purpose of perfecting the title of the said Catharine Dix to the said Land. And whereas the said Burke and Henley have agreed and do by these presents covenant and agree to and with the said Catharine Dix that the said Land henceforth and

forever hereafter shall be released acquited exonerated and discharged from all and every claim or demand which they may have thereto in consequence of the conveyances in trust as aforementioned to the said Matthews & Wright, so that the said James Dix shall have a full complete and absolute right and title to sell & convey the same, in the same manner as if the said conveyances in trust had never been made. Now this Indenture witnesseth that the said James Dix for and in consideration of the said sum of five hundred and twenty five Dollars to him in hand hand paid by the said Catharine Dix, the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge and forever acquit exonerate and discharge the said Catharine Dix, hath granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said Catharine Dix her heirs and assigns forever the said tract, peice or parcel of land herein before particularized containing as aforesaid Seventy five Acres be the same more or less. To have and to hold to the said Catharine Dix her heirs and assigns forever the said Tract piece or parcel of land together with all and singular its rights, members priviledges, profits, commodities hereditaments appendages and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, and also all the estate right, title, interest property, claim or demand of him the said James Dix in or to the same. And the said James Dix for himself and his heirs doth hereby covenant and agree to and with the said Catharine Dix that he will warrant and forever defend the said land against the claim of himself and his heirs and against the claim or claims of all and every person or persons whatsoever to the said Catharine Dix her heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto signed their names & affixed their seals the day & year first herein written

Jas. Dix
Wm. B Matthews
John B Burke
Geo. Wright
3d Sepr 1817
Thos M Henley

Essex County Court Office 2d day of August 1817

This Indenture from James Dix, William B Matthews John B Burke George Wright and Thomas M Henly, but not bearing the signature of the said Wright, to Catharine Dix was acknowledged by the said James Dix, Burke and Henley to be their proper act and deed & admitted to record as to them

Teste
Wm. P. Matthews Clk"

On December 29, 1817, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/558 George Wright purchased from Lemuel Crittenden his interest in 132 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 29th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventeen between Lemuel Crittenden of the County of Essex of the first part and George Wright of the same County of the second part. Witnesseth that the said Lemuel Crittenden for and in consideration of the sum of Four hundred and fifty five dollars to him in hand paid by the said George Wright the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge, he the said Lemuel Crittenden hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell alien release enfeoff and confirm unto the said George Wright and to his heirs, all the said Crittendens right title and interest in and to a certain parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the County of Essex containing by estimation one hundred and thirty two acres be the same more or less and bounded by the lands of Richard Clarkson Jane Dunns dower land of the estate of Thomas Dunn decd, John Brown, the old mill formerly owned by Robert P Waring decd now owned by John Jones and Sarah Bridges, William Crittenden, Edmond F Noel and the road beginning at an oak on the top of the hill which is the line tree between Edmond F Noel and the said tract of land thence up the road to the fork below the dwelling house on the said land, thence up the road to the beginning. To have and to hold the said tract of land to the only use and behoof of the said George Wright and to his heirs free from all claims which the said Crittenden may have in and to the same. In Witness whereof whereof the said Lemuel Crittenden hath hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year above written

in the 23rd line from the top the word "to the fork" interlined before signed.
In the original.

Lemuel Crittenden

Executed in presence of

Reuben	his X mark	Coleman
Thomas	his X mark	Coleman
Green	his X mark	Coleman

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at Tappahannock on monday the 18th day of May 1818

This Indenture from Lemuel Crittenden to George Wright was acknowledged by the said Lemuel Crittenden in the open Court to be his proper act and Deed & ordered to be recorded

Teste
Wm P Matthews Clk

December 8th. Received the deed recorded opposite hereto

Geo. Wright"

On January 26, 1818, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/496 George Wright purchased from Lewis Crittenden his interest in 132 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 26th day of January in the year of our Lord 1818 between Lewis Crittenden of the County of Middlesix of the first part and George Wright of the second part. Witnesseth that the said Lewis Crittenden for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and eight Dollars twelve and a half cents to him in hand paid by the said George Wright the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge, hath granted bargained and sold & by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said George Wright all his right title and interest in and to the following tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex and bounded by the lands of Richard Clarkson Jane Dunn's dower land of the estate of Thomas Dunn decd John Brown the old Mill formerly the property of Robert P Waring decd now owned by John Jones and Sarah Bridges, William Crittenden, Edmond T Noel, and others: estimated to contain one hundred and thirty two acres be the same more or less it being land which Susanna Crittenden received under the will of Benjamin Fisher decd. To have and to hold the said Lewis Crittendens portion being one eighth part of the said tract of land against the claim let or hindrance of any other person or persons whatsoever except the claim of Lemuel Crittenden who is tenant by the curtesy; and the said Lewis Crittenden for himself his heirs Executors and administrators doth hereby covenant to warrant and defend the title of the same to the said George Wright and to his heirs against the claim of all and every person whatever. In Witness whereof the said Lewis Crittenden doth hereby set his hand and seal the day and year first herein written

Lewis L Crittenden

December 8th 1818. Received the deed recorded opposite hereto

Geo. Wright

At a Court held for Middlesex County at the Courthouse in the Town of Urbanna on Monday the 26th day of January 1818

This Indenture from Lewis Crittenden of the first part to George Wright of the second part was in open Court acknowledged by the said Lewis Crittenden to be his act and deed and ordered to be certified to the County Court of Essex to be there Recorded

Teste
Geo. Healy Clk M.C.

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Court House in Tappahannock on monday the 16th day of Feby 1818

This Indenture from Lewis Crittenden to George Wright being certified by the Clerk of Middlesex County Court to have been duly acknowledged in that Court, was this day produced in Court and on the motion of said Geo. Wright ordered to be recorded in this Court

Teste
Wm P. Matthews Clk"

On February 21, 1818, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/517 George Wright purchased from William and Polly Crittenden and Richard N. and Sally Callip their interest in 132 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 21st day of February in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighteen between William Crittenden and Polly his wife and Richard N Callip and Sally his wife of Essex County of the first part and George Wright of the second part. Witnesseth that the said William Crittenden and Polly his wife and Richard N Callip and Sally his wife for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and eighty Dollars to them in hand paid by the said George Wright before the signing and sealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold aliened released and enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain & sell alien release enfeoff and confirm unto the said George Wright and to his heirs forever all their right title claim or interest in and to a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the said County of Essex containing by estimation one hundred and thirty two acres be the same more or less and bounded by the lands of Richard Clarkson, Jane Dunns dower land of the estate of Thomas Dunn decd John Brown the old Mill belonging to John Jones and Sarah Bridges the above named William Crittenden Edmund F Noel &c it being land which Susanna Crittenden the mother of the said William Crittenden and Sally Callip who was Sally Crittenden before her intermarriage with the said Richard N Callip inherited under the Will of Benjamin Fisher decd. To have and to hold the

portion of the said William Crittenden and Polly his wife and the said Richard N Callip and Sally his wife against the claim, let or hindrance of all and every person or persons whatever except the claim of Lemuel Crittenden who is tenant by the curtesy. And the said William Crittenden and Polly his wife and Richard N Callip and Sally his wife do hereby covenant to warrant and forever defend their portion of the said land being two eigths thereof to the said George Wright and to his heirs forever free from the claim of all and every person Whatever. In Witness whereof the parties herein named have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and date above written

Executed in presence of	)	William Crittenden
Robert Beverley	)	Polly Crittenden
Wm B Beverley	)	R N Callip
Lemuel Crittenden	)	Sarah Callip

Essex County to wit

We Robert Beverley & William Garnett Magistrates of the aforesaid county do hereby certify that Richard N Callip party to the within conveyance hath this day personally appeared before us & duly acknowledged the same & hath requested us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the county Court of Essex.

Essex County to wit

We Robert Beverley and William Garnett Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Sarah Callip the wife of Richard N Callip parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate to George Wright bearing date the 21st day of February 1818 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Sarah acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 21st day of February 1818

Robert Beverley
Wm. Garnett

Essex County to wit

We Sthreshly Rennolds and John Jones magistrates sof the aforesaid County do hereby certify that William Crittenden party to the within conveyance hath this day personally appeared before us & duly acknowledged the same and hath

requested us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex. Given under our hands and seals this 23d day of February 1818

Sthreshly Rennolds
John Jones

Essex County to wit

We Sthreshly Rennolds and John Jones Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Polly Crittenden the wife of William Crittenden parties to a certain Deed for the conveyance of real Estate to George Wright bearing date the 21st day of February 1818 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privately and apart from her husband and having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Polly acknowledged the same to be her act and Deed, and declared that she had willingly signed, Sealed, and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 23 day of March 1818

Sthreshly Rennolds
John Jones

Essex County Court Office 16th March 1818

This Indenture from William Crittenden and Polly his wife, Richard N Callip and Sally his wife to George Wright, being produced in the said Office, is together with the Justices certificates accompanying the same admitted to Record

Teste
Wm P. Matthews Clk"

The 1818 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on March 16:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No of White males over 16 Years old	No of Slaves above 16 years old	No of Slaves over 12 & under 16 Yrs old
March 16th	George Wright	1	4	3

No. of Horses	Stud horses No. $ Cts	Two Wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	Phaetons, Stage Waggons and harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $200	Exceeding in value $200
4		0	$00		

Coaches and Harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	Total amo of Tax $ cts	Proof
		1.62	

The 1818 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner of Land	Residence	Estate	No. of Acres of Land	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	In fee	132	Bd by S. Bennett

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land per Acre	Total Value of Land	Amount of Tax on Land at 75 cents p $100 value	Explanation of Alteratio the preceding year
7 ms SW	7/5	163.17	1.22	Conveyed to you by Leml. Crittenden

This record reflects the purchase in 1818 of 132 acres of land by Essex County Deeds 39/496, 39/517, and 39/558.

On June 29, 1818, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/666 George Wright, as deputy sheriff for Essex County and to enforce judgment debts due by George Newbill, sold to Edwin Upshaw the interest of George Newbill in any land coming to him from his parents:

> "This Indenture made this 29th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen between George Wright a deputy for Reuben Garnett Sheriff of the County of Essex of the first part and Edwin Upshaw of the

second part. Whereas George Newbill being arrested under the following executions from the County Court of Essex Viz one in the name of Henry C Howerton one in the name of William S Nunn one in the name of Thomas Coates admor of James Coates decd two in the name of Edwin Upshaw three in the name of Thomas Newbill, one in the name of Thomas Covington one in the name of Thomas Gresham dower of William Gresham decd. who was admor of Daniel Orvill decd and one in the name of Phillip T Montague did on the 11th June 1818 make subscribe and deliver in a schedule of his estate and take the oath presented by law for the relief of insolvent debtors in which schedule there is this clause "all right title claim and interest which I have in and to the land which I am entitled to at the death of my mother under my fathers will" which said right title claim and interest the said George Newbill did on the day he took the oath aforesaid convey by deed according to law to the said Reubin Garnett Sheriff of the said County of Essex for the purpose of disposing thereof as is required by law, and whereas since the execution of the said deed there has doubts arisen whether the said George Newbill at the time he executed the aforesaid deed to the said Garnett, had a legal right to convey the said right title claim and interest in and to the said land as expressed in the said schedule and deed. Whereupon Edwin Upshaw who is the plaintiff in two of the aforesaid executions came forward and executed a bond agreeable to law to indemnify the said sheriff in making sale of the said George Newbills right title claim and interest in and to the land which he will be entitled to at the death of his mother under his fathers will, upon which indemnifying bond there is an endorsement in these words "It appearing that there has been a deed of trust executed by George Newbill to John Gresham to secure the payment of a certain sum of money due to Anthony Gresham on a lott of ground with the houses thereon commonly known by the name of the little Washington which is a part of the land which the said George Newbill will be entitled at the death of his mother under his fathers will it is understood that the said Edwin Upshaw does not indemnify unto the sale of the said lott, in consequence whereof the said George Wright a deputy as aforesaid did on the 27th of this month proceed to make sale of the land given up in the said George Newbills schedule and conveyed to the said Garnett by deed (and for the sake of greater perspecuity the clause of the said George Newbills schedule is here again noted "all right title claim and interest which I have in and to the land which I am entitled to at the death of my mother under my fathers will) with the exclusion of the lot with the houses thereon specified in the endorsement on the said indemnifying bond executed by the said Upshaw to the said Garnett, which endorsement is noted above, for the purpose of satisfying the said Upshaws executions against the said George Newbill, he being the only plaintiff who came forward and indemnified. And whereas the said Edwin Upshaw became the purchaser thereof for the sum of sixty five dollars Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said George Wright deputy for the said Reuben Garnett Sheriff of the said County of Essex for and in consideration of the premises and for and in consideration of the said sum of sixty five dollars in hand paid by the said Edwin Upshaw before the signing and

ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge hath granted bargained sold, transfered aliened and released and by these presents doth grant bargain sell alien transfer and release unto the said Edwin Upshaw and to his heirs all the right title claim and interest in and to the land which the said George Newbill may be entitled at the death of his mother under his fathers Will with the exception of the aforesaid lot of ground with the houses thereon, containing by estimation two acres commonly known by the name of the little Washington, which it is expressly understood is not intended to be conveyed by this Indenture. And the said George Wright deputy for the said Reuben Garnett doth hereby invest and put the said Edwin Upshaw in the possession of the same right title claim and interest which the said George Newbill may be entitled to at the death of his mother under his fathers will as the said George Newbill had at the time he made a deed to the said Garnett, and it is hereby understood to be only the intention of the said George Wright deputy as aforesaid to convey what right the said George Newbill conveyed to the said Reuben Garnett Sheriff of the said County of Essex by his said deed bearing date the 11th June 1818 with the exception of the aforesaid lot with the houses thereon and not to indemnify or warrant the title of the same in any wise whatsoever. In Witness the said George Wright deputy as aforesaid hath hereunto set his hand & seal the day and year first herein written.

Geo. Wright DS
for Reuben Garnett Shff of Essex

Essex County Court Office 7th January 1819

This Indenture from George Wright deputy for Reuben Garnett Sheriff of the County of Essex to Edwin Upshaw was this day acknowledged in the Office by the said George Wright to be his proper act and Deed and admitted to Record

Teste
Wm B Matthews Clk"

On February 13, 1819, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/681 George Wright, as trustee under a deed of trust executed by Thomas Dix, joined in a sale by Thomas and Lucy Dix and Tandy Dix to Catharine Dix of 75 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 13th day of Feby 1819 between Thomas Dix & Lucy his wife of the County of Essex, Tandy Dix of the County of Essex and Geo. Wright of the County of Essex & William B Matthews of the said County of Essex of the one part and Catharine Dix of the County of Essex of the other part. Whereas Melissa Allen who was Melissa Dix and who intermarried with Addison Allen of the County of Essex, hath lately departed this life intestate without having attained to legal age, and without leaving issue seized and possessed of a tract of Land situated in the parish of Southfarnham and County of Essex,

containing by estimation Seventy five acres be the same more or less, which land the said Melissa inherited from her father James Dix decd. And Whereas in consequence of the death of the said Melissa, the above mentitioned Thomas Dix, Tandy Dix and James and Walter Dix, who are brothers of the said Melissa, have become entitled to the said Land in fee simple. And Whereas the above mentioned Thomas Dix by his certain indenture of trust bearing date the 20th day of Feby 1818 and recorded in the County Court of Essex on the 27th day of Augt. 1818 which Indenture is made between the said Thomas Dix of the County of Essex of the first part, George Wright and Tandy Dix of the second part and William B Matthews of the third part, did for the purpose of securing to the said Tandy Dix and Geo. Wright the payment of certain sums of money due to them, which debts are particularly set forth in the said Deed, convey to William B Matthews in trust, all his the said Thomas Dixes right title and Interest in and to the said Land all of which will particularly appear by reference to said Deed. And Whereas the said Thomas Dix being anxious to liquidate the debts secured by the said Indenture of trust to the said Tandy Dix and Geo Wright, hath by and with the consent of said Tandy Dix and Geo: Wright consented to sell his portion or interest in the said Land to the said Catharine Dix for the sum of one hundred & twenty five Dollars and in order to perfect the title of the said Catharine Dix to the portion or interest of the said Thomas Dix of and in the said land, the said William B Matthews at the solicitation of the said Thomas Dix, Tandy Dix and Geo. Wright hath consented to become a party to this Indenture, and to relinquish any claim right or title which he may have to the said Land in consequence of the Indenture of Trust aforesaid. It being understood that the said Tandy Dix and Geo Wright are to receive the sum so to be paid by the said Catharine Dix to said Thomas Dix for his interest in the said Land, to be by them applyed to the payment of their respective claims against the said Thomas Dix, which claims are particularly mentioned in the said Deed of Trust. And Whereas the said Tandy Dix hath consented to sell the said Catharine Dix his portion or interestin the said Land for the price ofone hundred and twenty five dollars. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Thomas Dix and Lucy his wife for and in consideration of the premises and of the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars and the said Tandy Dix for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars the receipt of which sums of money the said Thomas Dix and Tandy Dix, do hereby acknowledge to have received of the said Catharine Dix, and do hereby forever acquit exonerate and discharge the said Catharine, they the said Thomas Dix and Lucy Dix his wife and the said Tandy Dix have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said Catharine Dix and to her heirs and assigns forever, all and singular their respective rights title and interest of in and to the said Land and premises and every part and parcel thereof, together with all and singular its rights members priviledges profits hereditaments appendages and appurtenances. To have and to hold the portions or interest of the said Thomas Dix and Tandy Dix of in and to the said Land and premises and every part and parcel thereof to the said Catharine Dix her heirs and assigns forever together

with all and singular its rights members priviledges profits, commodities hereditaments appendages and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, and also all the estate right title, interest property claim or demand of them the said Thos. Dix and Lucy his wife and the said Tandy Dix of in and to the same, and every part and parcel thereof. And the said Tand Dix Geo: Wright and William B Matthews do hereby covenant and agree with the said Catharine Dix that they will release and do hereby declare, that the portion of the said Thomas Dix of in and to the said Land, shall be henceforth entirely released exonerated and discharged from the operations of the Indenture of trust herein before mentioned executed by the said Thos Dix to the said William B Matthews for the purpose of securing the payment of certain debts therein mentioned due from the said Thomas Dix to the said Tandy Dix and Geo. Wright. But the said William B Matthews does not, and it is so understood between the said Matthews and the said Catharine Dix, that the said Matthews does not intend by any covenant or expression in the foregoing Indenture to warrant the title of the said Thomas Dix of and in his the said Thomas Dixes portion of the said Land, to the said Catharine, nor is he the said Matthews to be liable or accountable to the said Catharine Dix in any manner whatsoever in case the said Catharine should be evicted from the possession or enjoyment of the said land. And the said Thomas Dix and Tandy Dix for themselves and their heirs the said Land and premises and every part and parcel thereof, that is to say the respective portions of the said Thos. and Tandy, unto the said Catharine Dix her heirs and assigns forever shall will and do hereby warrant and will forever defend. In Testimony whereof the said Thomas Dix and Lucy his wife, Tandy Dix Geo Wright and William B Matthews have hereunto signed their names and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

Signed Sealed and deli-	)	Thomas Dix
vered In presence of	)	Lucy B Dix
		Tandy Dix
		Geo. Wright
		Wm. B. Matthews

Essex County to wit

We Kemp Gatewood & Joseph Janey Magistrates of the said County do hereby certify that Thos. Dix party to the within conveyance hath acknowledged the same before us, on the 24th day of Feby 1819 and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said conveyance may be recorded. As witness our hands and Seals

Kemp Gatewood
Joseph Janey

Essex County to wit

We Kemp Gatewood and Joseph Janey Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Lucy B Dix the wife of Thos. Dix parties to a certain Deed for the conveyance of real Estate to Catharine Dix bearing date on the 13th day of Feby 1819 and hereto annexed personally appear'd before us in our County aforesaid; and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Lucy B Dix acknowledged the same to be her act and Deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 24th day of Feby 1819

Kemp Gatewood
Joseph Janey

Tappahannock Essex County Court Office 22d March 1819

This Deed from Thomas Dix and Lucy his wife Tandy Dix and George Wright and William B Matthews to Catharine Dix was produced in this Office and was acknowledged by Tandy Dix to be his proper act and Deed, and thereupon admitted to Record as to him. The Justices certificates accompanying the said Deed, as to the due acknowledgment thereof by Thomas Dix and Lucy his wife were also admitted to Record

Teste
Wm B. Matthews Clk

Tappa. Essex County Court Office 8 April 1819.

This Deed was this day acknowledged by George Wright to be his proper act and Deed and admitted to Record as to him

Teste
Wm. B. Matthews Clk"

On March 2, 1819, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/716 George Wright purchased from Richard and Eliza Smith a 1/8 interest in 132 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 2nd day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen between Richard Smith and Eliza his wife of the County of Caroline of the first part and George Wright of the County of Essex of the second part. Witnesseth that the said Richard Smith and Eliza his wife for and in consideration of the sum of ninety dollars to them in hand paid by the said George Wright the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge and from the

payment of which they do hereby forever acquit and discharge the said George Wright have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell alien release enfeoff and confirm unto the said George Wright and to his heirs forever all their right title claim or interest in and to a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the said County of Essex containing by estimation one hundred and thirty two acres be the same more or less and bounded by the lands of Richard Clarkson Jane Dunns dower land of the estate of Thomas Dunn decd, John Brown, the old Mill belonging to John Jones and Sarah Bridges, William Crittenden, Edmond F Noel &c it being the land which Susanna Crittenden the mother of the above named Eliza Smith who was Eliza Crittenden before her intermarriage with the above named Richard Smith inherited under the will of her father Benjamin Fisher decd To have and to hold the portion of the said Richard Smith and Eliza his wife being one eighth part of the said tract of land against the claim let or hinderance of all and every person or persons whatsoever except the claim of Lemuel Crittenden who is tenant by the Curtesy: and the said Richard Smith and Eliza his wife do for themselves and their heirs hereby covenant to protect and forever defend their aforesaid right title claim and interest to the said George Wright and his heirs against the claim of all and every person whatever. In Witness whereof they have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written

Executed in presence of

Richard his X mark Smith

Eliza Smith

Caroline County St.

We Reuben Chapman & James J Garnett magistrates of the aforesaid County do hereby certify that Richard Smith party to the within conveyance hath this day personally appeared before us and duly acknowledged the same and hath requested us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex. Given under our hands and seals this 2nd day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen

Reuben Chapman
Jas. J Garnett

Caroline County Sct.

We Reuben Chapman & Jas J Garnett Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Eliza Smith the wife of Richard Smith parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate to George Wright, bearing date the 2nd day of March 1819 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by

us privately and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Eliza acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 26th day of May one thousand eight hundred and nineteen

Reuben Chapman
Jas J Garnett

Essex County Court Office 31st July 1819

This Deed from Richard Smith and Eliza his wife to George Wright was this day produced in the said Office and is together with the Justices certificates accompanying the same admitted to record

Teste
William B Matthews Clk

Received the deed recorded opposite hereto

Geo: Wright"

The 1819 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on April 10:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	No of White males above 16 yrs old	No of Slaves above 16 years old	Slaves of 12 & under 16 yrs old
Apl. 10	George Wright	1	5	2

Horses	Stud horses No. $ Cts	Two Wheeled riding Carriages & Harness belonging thereto: Not exceeding in value $100	Two Wheeled riding Carriages & Harness belonging thereto: Exceeding in value $100	Phaetons, Stage Waggons & Harness belonging thereto: Not exceeding in value $200	Phaetons, Stage Waggons & Harness belonging thereto: Exceeding in value $200
3			1 $120.00		

Coaches and Harness belonging thereto		Amount of Taxes	
Not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	$ cts	Proof

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The 1819 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner of Land	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	In fee	132	Bd Wm Howerton &c

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land p Acre	Total Value of Land	Amt of Tax on Land at 75 cts p $100 value Dls Cts	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
9 ms SW	7/5	163.17	1.22	

On May 1, 1819, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 36/398 George Wright, as deputy sheriff, sold to Caleb Elliott 132 acres of land belonging to William Clarke to enforce various debts due:

> "This Indenture made this 1 May 1819 between George Wright a deputy for Reuben Garnett Sheriff of Essex County of the first part and Caleb Elliott of the second part Whereas William Clarke being in custody of the said Reuben Garnett under the following Executions from the County Court of Essex to wit one in the name of John Trible one ditto in the name of Thomas Williams of all of Solomon Emanuel, one ditto in the name of Charles Lee one ditto in the name of George M Hundley and one ditto in the name of John Ware did on the 16 day of March in the year aforesaid before the County Court of Essex make subscribe and deliver in a Schedule of his estate and took the oath of an Insolvent debtor pursuant to law in which said schedule is noted as follows "all my right title, claim, interest and demand in and to a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex containing about one hundred and thirty two Acres be the same more or less, and bounded by the lands of Phillip McHans Orphans Peter Taff, Henry Richeson and others, it being the land at present in my occupancy and is the same land which was devised to me by my decd wife Jane Clarke recorded in Essex County Court, which said right title claim interest and demand which the said William Clarke had in and to the tract of land as mentioned in his said schedule and expressed above was conveyed to the said

Garnett Sheriff of the said County of Essex by the said William Clarkes deed bearing date the 16th day of March in the year aforesaid and recorded in the County Court of Essex for the purpose of discharging the Executions aforementioned. And whereas the above named George Wright a deputy for the said Reuben Garnett Sheriff as aforesaid having advertised the said tract of land agreeably to the directions of the law, did on the date aforesaid to wit on the 1st May 1819 proceed to sell the said tract of land to the highest bidder for the purpose of discharging the aforesaid Executions, and whereas the said Caleb Elliott became the purchaser of the said William Clarkes right title claim interest and demand in and to the tract of land named in the schedule aforesaid and conveyed to the said Reuben Garnett Sheriff of Essex County by deed as mentioned aforesaid for the sum of two hundred and sixty five dollars. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said George Wright a deputy for Reuben Garnett Sheriff of the said County of Essex for and in consideration of the premises aforesaid and for and in consideration of the said sum of two hundred and sixty five dollars to him in hand paid by the said Caleb Elliott before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained sold aliened, transfered and released and by these presents doth grant bargain sell alien transfer and release unto the said Caleb Elliott and to his heirs forever "all the right title claim interest and demand in and to the land which was conveyed to the said Reuben Garnett by the clause in the said Clarkes schedule, and by his aforesaid deed, which for the sake of greater sperspicuity is here again noted "all my right title claim interest and demand in and to a certain tract or parcel of land situated lying and being in the County of Essex and bounded by the lands of Phillip McHans orphans, Peter Taff, Henry Richeson and others containing about one hundred and thirty acres be the same more or less it being the land at present in my occupancy and is the same land which was devised to me by my decd wife Jane Clarke recorded in Essex County Court: and the said George Wright deputy as aforesaid doth hereby invest and put the said Caleb Elliott in possession of the same right which the said Clarke had in and to the aforesaid tract of land at the timehe made the deed to the said Reuben Garnett Sheriff of Essex County bearing date the 15th day of March 1819 and recorded in County Court aforesaid, but it is expressly understood that the said George Wright deputy as aforesaid does not undertake to warrant or defend the said title in any wise whatsoever. In Witness whereof the said George Wright deputy for the said Reuben Garnett Sheriff as aforesaid hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal the day and year first herein written

Sealed and delivered in	)	Geo. Wright a deputy for
presence of	)	Reuben Garnett Shff
Larkin Hundley	)	
Leroy Cauthorn	)	
Charles G Layton	)	

At a Quarterly Court continued and held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 18th day of May 1819

This Deed from George Wright a deputy for Reuben Garnett Sheriff of Essex County to Caleb Elliott was acknowledged in open court by the said George Wright to be his proper act and Deed and ordered to be Recorded

Teste
Wm B Matthews Clk"

On July 5, 1819, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 39/727 George Wright purchased from Richard and Lorinda Clarkson their 1/8 interest in 132 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 5th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen between Richard Clarkson and Lorinda his wife of the County of Essex of the first part and George Wright of the same county of the second part. Witnesseth that the said Richard Clarkson and Lorinda his wife for and in consideration of the sum of ninety five dollars to them in hand paid before the signing and sealing of these presents have granted bargained, sold, aliened released and confirmed, and by these presents doth grant bargain, sell, alien release and confirm unto the said George Wright and his heirs forever all their right title claim and interest, in and to a certain tract or parcel of land, situate lying and being in the said County of Essex containing by estimation one hundred and thirty two acres, be the same more or less, and bounded by the lands of the said Richard Clarkson Jane Dunns dower land of the estate of Thomas Dunn decd John Brown, the old mill belonging to the estate of John Jones decd. and Sarah Bridges William Crittenden Edmond F Noel &c it being land which Susanna Crittenden the mother of the above named Lorinda Crittenden before her intermarriage with the said Richard Clarkson received under the will of her father Benjamin Fisher decd To have and to hold the portion of the said Richard Clarkson and Lorinda his wife being one eighth of the said tract of land, against the claim let and hindrance of all persons whatsoever except the claim of Lemuel Crittenden who is tenant by the curtesy. And the said Richard Clarkson and Lorinda his wife, do for themselves and their heirs, hereby covenant to protect and forever deed their aforesaid right title claim and interest to the said George Wright and his heirs against the claim of all and every person whatever. In Witness whereof they have hereunto set their hands and seals they day & year first herein written

Executed in presence of	Richard Clarkson
W Lewis	Lorinda Clarkson

Essex County to wit

We Sthreshly Rennolds and Warner Lewis magistrates of the aforesaid County do hereby certify that Richard Clarkson party to the within conveyance, hath this day personally appeared before us, and duly acknowledged the same and hath requested us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the county court of Essex. Given under our hands and seals this fifth day of August 1819

Sthreshly Rennolds
W. Lewis

Essex County to wit

We Sthreshly Rennolds and Warner Lewis Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Lorinda Clarkson the wife of Richard Clarkson parties to a certain deed for the conveyance of real estate to George Wright bearing date the fifth day of July 1819 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privately and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she said Lorinda acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared, that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 5th day of August 1819

Sthreshly Rennolds
W. Lewis

Essex County Court Office 9th day of August 1819

This Deed from Richard Clarkson and Lorinda his wife to George Wright was this day produced in my Office and is together with the Justices certificates accompaning the same admitted to record

Teste
Wm B. Matthews Clk

Received the deed recorded opposite hereto

Geo. Wright"

On November 8, 1819, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 40/71 George Wright purchased from William and Polly Crittenden 70 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 8th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen between William Crittenden and Polly his

wife of the first part and George Wright of the second part. Witnesseth that the said William Crittenden & Polly his wife for and in consideration of the sum of four hundred and ninety dollars to them in hand paid by the said George Wright before the signing and sealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledge hath granted bargained sold aliened released and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell alien release and confirm unto the said George Wright and his heirs forever Seventy acres of land lying on the South side of Warings old Mill at this time owned by the heirs of John Jones decd and Sarah Bridges and is a part of the tract on which the said William Crittenden at this time resides. To Have and to hold the said seventy acres of land to the said George Wright and his heirs free all claim or claims which the said William Crittenden and Polly his wife or their heirs may have in and to the same, and the said William Crittenden and Polly his wife for themselves and their heirs do hereby covenant to protect and forever defend the right and title of the said land to the said George Wright and his heirs forever free from the claim of all and every person whatever. In testimony whereof they have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written

Signed sealed and deli-) William Crittenden
vered in presence of)
Robert S Parker
Keturah G W Jones
his
Benona X Broach
mark
his
Thomas X Jeffries
mark
John H Micon

At a Court of Quarterly Session continued and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 22nd day of March 1820. This Deed from William Crittenden and Polly his wife (but not bearing the signature of the said Polly) to George Wright was proved by the oaths of Thomas Jeffries and John H Micon two of the subscribing witnesses thereto as to the said William Crittenden and ordered to be certified and continued for further proof as to him

Teste
William B Matthews Clk

At an Intervening Court held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th of April 1820. This Deed was further proved by the

oath of Benona Broach another subscribing witness as to the said William Crittenden and ordered to be recorded as to him

Teste
Peter J. Derieux Jr D.Clk

Received this deed

Geo: Wright"

The 1820 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tzxes	White males above 16 years old	Blacks above 12 years old	Blacks above 16 years old
	George Wright	1	2	12

Horses mares Colts & Mules	Ordinary License	License for keeping private entertainment	Wholesale & retail Merchants	Retail Merchants	Free Negroes & Mulattoes
5					

Stud Horses Jack Asses	Rate of Covering p season	Carriage Wheels: Coaches Chariots & Post Chaises	Carriage Wheels: Other four Wheeled riding Carriages	Carriage Wheels: 2 Wheeled riding Carriages	Sum Total Taxes
				1 $120	11.40

The 1820 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner of Land	Residence	Number of Acres of Land	Description of Land	Distance & bearing from the Ct. House
George Wright	Essex	132	_ Rennolds &c	7 NW
		70	William G Crittendon	Do

Rate of Land p Acre Dols Cts	Sum added on account Buildings Dls Cts	Total Value of Land Dls Cts	Amt. of Tax on Land at 12½ cents p $100 value Dls Cts	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
5.63	100	743.16		70 acres in addition
4.71		329.70	1.34	to quantity charged last year conveyed to you by William G Crittendon

This record reflects the purchase in 1819 of 70 acres of land by Essex County Deed 40/71.

The 1820 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed one George Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
George Wright	1	26-45	1	45+
	1	16-26	1	26-45
	1	10-16	2	16-26
	1	0-10	2	10-16
			3	0-10

Foreigners	Number in Agriculture	Number in Commerce	Number in Manufacture
	38		8

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age	All Other Persons
3	45+	2	45+	1	0-14			
7	26-45	6	26-45					
8	14-26	7	14-26					
18	0-14	12	0-14					

On July 21, 1820, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 40/266 George Wright and Susan F. (Jones) Wright gifted to her sisters certain land intended to be left to those

sisters by their father John Jones by his will, but which gift was the subject of a lawsuit as to right and title:

> "This Indenture made this 21st day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty, between George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife which said Susan F Wright is a child and heir of John Jones decd of Essex County of the first part, and Kitty, Polly and Sarah Jones who are also children and heirs of the said John Jones decd of the same county of the second part; Whereas in the last will and testament of John Jones decd there is this clause "I give to my daughter Susan F Wright the tract of land called Owens the tract called the White Marsh, and twenty acres I bought of John H Upshaw adjoining the lands of Sthreshly Rennolds & others: and it is my desire that my daughter Susan shall have the land held by her Grand Mother Fisher under the Will of Benjamin Fisher decd and if my other children or their heirs by my first marriage should when they respectively arrive to lawful age fail to convey to my said daughter their respective rights, then and in that case I direct that each one so failing or refusing to convey to my said daughter Susan or her heirs shall pay to her or her heirs the sum of Four thousand dollars and I do hereby direct that the said sum of four thousand dollars shall be a lien on the land devised in a subsequent clause of this will to such of my said daughters by my first marriage so that the sum my said daughter Susan shall receive in case of their refusing to convey, shall amount to twelve thousand dollars" and whereas in the same act will and testament there is this other claue "I give to my daughters Kitty, Polly and Sarah the land I bought of the Brockenbroughs, William Fisher and the Upshaws, except the twenty acres purchased of John H Upshaw to be equally divided among them" and whereas the said John Jones in his said last will and testament has entirely omitted to name a tract of land which in his life time he purchased of the Ritchies, which from its local situation from various clauses in the said Jones's will, and also from declarations of his intention which he was repeatedly heard to make, it is apparent the said testator intended to give to his said daughters Kitty, Polly, and Sarah - and Whereas whereas there is an opinion prevails that the lands aforesaid purchased of the Ritchies goes to all the testators children by virtue of the clause in his will, which gives all the rest and residue of his Estate to all his children to be equally divided among them by reason whereof the Guardian of Martha John and Ellen Jones hath instituted a suit in the Superior Court of Essex County against the said Kitty, Polly and Sarah to recover of them, the portion of the said Martha John and Ellen, of in and to the aforesaid land purchased of the Ritchie's which suit the said George Wright as Guardian of the said Kitty, Polly and Sarah is now defending and has already engaged to pay attornies for defending said suit fees beyond the limits allowed by law, and it being the wish of the said George Wright and Susan F Wright that the said Kitty Polly and Sarah should have what they firmly beleive was the intention of their father to have given them subject however to the same lien imposed by the testator on the lands actually given them in his will in case of their failure when they respectively arrive to lawful age to convey to his said

daughter Susan or her heirs the land held by his Grandmother Fisher for life under the will of Benjamin Fisher decd. and subject also to an additional lien to indemnify and secure the said George Wright in the payment of all fees which he hath paid or may hereafter pay in defence of said suit or in presenting or defending all appeals that may be taken from the Judgment of the Court where the said suit is now pending and also in the payment of all fees which the said George Wright may hereafter pay, to counsellors, advisers or Clerks or any person whatever in attempting to secure to the said Kitty Polly & Sarah a perfect and indefeasible title in and to the lands aforesaid purchased by the said Jones of the Ritchies and omitted to be named in his last will and testament. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said George Wright and Susan F his wife for and in consideration of the premises, for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which they have for the said Kitty Polly and Sarah Jones and for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar to them in hand paid by the said Kitty Polly and Sarah before the signing and sealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth give grant bargain and sell unto the said Kitty Polly and Sarah all their right title claim interest & demand, of in and to the aforesaid lands which the testator purchased of the Ritchies and omitted to name in his last will and testament provided the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife under the will of the said John Jones decd, be entitled to any right title claim interest or demand in and to the same subject nevertheless to the liens above named that is to say that it is the true intention and meaning of this Indenture to convey to the said Kitty Polly and Sarah all the right title claim interest and demand which the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife may be possessed of under the will of the said John Jones decd of in and to the lands which he purchased of the Ritchies provided the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife be entitled to any claim interest and demand in and to the same, provided nevertheless that the said Kitty Polly and Sarah when they respectively arrive to lawful age shall convey to the said Susan F Wright or her heirs the land held by her Grandmother Fisher for life under the will of Benjamin Fisher decd and provided also that in a settlement of the said George Wrights guardianship account of the said Kitty Polly and Sarah all fees to Clerks advisers counsellors attorneys or any other person whatever which may be necessarily incurred in securing or attempting to secure to the said Kitty Polly and Sarah a good and perfect right in and to the lands aforesaid be admitted, but it is not the intention of the said George Wright and Susan F Wright to warrant or indemnify the right and title of the said lands to the said Kitty, Polly and Sarah in any wise whatever. In testimony whereof the said George Wright and Susan F

Wright have hereunto set their hands and seals the day & year first herein written

Signed Sealed and deld. in presence of
Walter Bowie
W. Fisher
Archibald Ritchie

Geo Wright
Susan F Wright

Essex County to wit

We Sthreshly Rennolds and Archibald Ritchie Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Susan F Wright the wife of George Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 21st day of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and haveing the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Susan F acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 31st day of July 1821

Sthreshly Rennolds
Archibald Ritchie

Essex County Court Office 14th day of August 1821

This Deed was acknowledged before me in my said Office by George Wright to be his proper act and deed and is together with the Justices certificate of the deed acknowledgment thereof by Susan F the wife of the said George Wright before them, admitted to record

Teste
William B Matthews Clk"

The 1821 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on May 4:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
May 4	George Wright	14	3	

Two Wheeled riding Carriages and Harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons and Harness		Riding Carriages and Harness		
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of Tax
					1 $350	13.32½

The 1821 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres of Land	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	In fee	70	Wm G Crittenden
			132	Sthy Rennolds

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Rate of Land p Acre including buildings	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total Value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of the Tax at the rate if nine cents per $100 value	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
7 No	4.71		329.70	.30	
do	5.63	150	743.16	.67	

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on May 3:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
May 3	George Wright	15	5		

Two wheeled riding Carriages and harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Carryall, Jersey waggons and harness
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	

Riding Carriages and harness				
Not exceeding value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding $300 value	Above the value of $300	Amount of Tax
	1 $300			13.62½

The 1822 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple or for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	In fee	140	Wm G Crittendon
" "		"	132	Thresly Rennolds
" "		"	506	N Fisher & Rd Morley

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per Acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
7 NW	4.71		392.00
do	5.63	150	
9 do	5.50		

Amount of Tax at the rate of nine cents for every $100 Value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
.60	576 acres in addition to quantity Charged last year, 70
.67	acres pur-chased of W. G. Crittenden & 506 acres
2.51	devised to your wife by her decd. Father John Jones

This record reflects the inheritance by Susan F. (Jones) Wright of 506 acres of land from her father John Jones.

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on March 17:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons names Chargeable with Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolls Cents
Mar 17	George Wright	16	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description		Amount of Tax Dolls Cents
1 Coachee	$350 value	11.74

The 1823 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple or for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	In fee	140	Wm G Crittendon
" "	"	"	132	Est S. Rennolds
" "	"	"	506	W Fisher & R Motley
" "	"	"	353	Same

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dolls Cents	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of eight cents for every $100 Value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
7 NW	4.71		45._		
do	5.63	150	74._		
9 do	5.50		278._		
do	8.39	1200	296._		

No deed has yet been located for the acquisition of the additional 353 acres of land shown in this record and this record may reflect the inheritance of an additional 353 acres of land from the estate of John Jones, but further research will be required to confirm this conclusion.

On January 17, 1824, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 41/101 George Wright and Susan F. Wright sold to Ephraim Beazley the 70 acres of land purchased by Essex County Deed 40/71:

> "This Indenture made this 17th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four, between George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the first part and Ephaim Beazley of the same County and State of the second part. Witnesseth that the said George Wright and Susan F his wife for and in consideration of the sum of four hundred and ninety dollars to them in hand paid by the said Ephraim Beazley at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof whereby acknowledged and from the payment of which they do hereby forever acquit and discharge the said Ephraim Beazley, have granted bargained sold aliened released enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release enfeoff and confirm unto the said Ephraim Beazley and his heirs forever one certain tenement parcel or tract of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex containing seventy acres bounded on the South by the lands of William Crittenden on the West by the lands belonging to the said Beazley, on the North by the old mill seat owned by the heirs of John Jones decd and others formerly the property of Robert P Waring decd. and on the East by the road which divides the said tract from the lands owned by Micajah Munday being the same land which the said Wright purchased of William Crittenden & wife as will appear more fully by their deed executed to the said Wright bearing date the 8th Novr. 1819 and on record in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex. To Have and to hold the said land and premises together with all and singular the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use and behoof of the said Ephraim Beazley and his heirs or assigns forever free from all claim or demand which the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife and all persons claiming by though or under them may have in and to the same, and the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife do for themselves their heirs exors and admors by these presents covenant to and with the said Ephraim Beazley his heirs executors and administrators to protect and forever defend the right and title of the said land and premises to the said Ephraim Beazley and his heirs against the claim or demand of all and every person whatever. In Witness whereof the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written
>
> Signed Sealed and deli-) Geo: Wright
> vered in presence of) Susan F Wright
> Thos. Wright Jr
> as to Geo W.
> Robt. P Andrews
> Benjn. Wright

Essex County to wit

We Peter Trible & John Belfield Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Susan F Wright the wife of George Wright parties to a certain deed of conveyance bearing date on the 17th January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Susan F Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed Sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 11th day of February 1824

Peter Trible
John Belfield

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 16th day of February 1824. This Deed from George Wright and Susan F his wife to Ephraim Beazley was produced in Court, and acknowledged by George Wright to be his proper act and deed and together with the Intices certificate annexed thereto ordered to be recorded

Teste
William B Matthews Clk"

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on March 15:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individual	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
Mar 15	George Wright	17	7		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dolls	Cents
1 Coachee $250 value	11.33	

The 1824 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	In fee	140	Wm G Crittendon
" "	"	"	132	Est S Rennolds
" "	"	"	506	W Fisher & R Motley
" "	"	"	353	Same

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 cents for every $100 Value	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
7 NW	4.71		459.60	.53	
do	5.63	150	2743.14	.60	
9 do	5.50		2783.00	2.23	
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on February 2:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
Feby 2	George Wright	20	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 gig $25 and 1 Coachee $100 value	12.86

The 1825 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	In fee	70	Wm G Crittendon
" "	"	"	132	Est S. Rennolds
" "	"	"	506	W Fisher & R Motley
" "	"	"	353	Same

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including Buildings	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total Value of the Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax at the rate of eight cents for every $100 Value	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
7 NW	4.71		659.60	.53	70 acres taken
do	5.63	150	743.14	.60	from quantity
9 do	5.50		2783.00	2.23	charged last year
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	Conveyed to E Beazley

This record reflects the sale in 1824 of 70 acres of land by Essex County Deed 41/101.

On May 3, 1825, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 41/412 George Wright and Susan F. Wright sold to his brother Thomas Wright, Jr., 130 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 3rd day of May One thousand Eight hundred and twenty five Between George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife of the County of Essex of the first part and Thomas Wright Jr of the said County of the other part, Witnesseth that the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife for and in consideration of the sum of One thousand Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright Jr at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted bargained, sold aliened released and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien, release and confirm unto the said Thomas Wright and his heirs forever all the right title claim interest and demand which the said George Wright and Susan F his wife have in and to a certain messuage, tenement, tract or parcel of land, situate lying and being in the said County of Essex containing by estimation One hundred and thirty acres be the same more or less bounded by the Lands of Edmund F Noel, Ephraim Beazley, Thomas Dunns Estate and others, it being the same land purchased by the said George Wright of Lemuel Crittenden and others hereafter mentioned - To Have and to hold all the right title, claim interest and demand which the said George Wright and Susan F his wife have in and to the said land and premises being the following to wit "the interest which Lemuel Crittenden the husband of Susanna Crittenden decd had in and to the land and

premises hereby conveyed to which said Susanna Crittenden the said land was devised by her Father Benjamin Fisher decd, and held by the said Lemuel Crittenden as tenant by the Curtesy, and also all the claim interest and demand which William Crittenden and Polly his wife Richard N Callip and Sally his wife Richard Smith and Eliza his wife Richard Clarksen and Lorinda his wife, Lewis Crittenden and Benjamin F Crittenden held in and to the same Land and premises, which said William Crittenden, Sally Callip Eliza Smith Lorinda Clarkson Lewis Crittenden and Benjamin F Crittenden were children and heirs of the said Susanna Crittenden decd. and each entitled at the termination of the life estate of the said Lemuel Crittenden to one eighth part of the said land &c herein conveyed - To the only proper use and behoof of the said Thomas Wright Jr. his heirs &c free from all and every claim or demand which the said George Wright and Susan F his wife or their heirs and all and every person claiming by through or under them have in and to the same and the said George Wright and Susan F his wife for themselves their heirs exors and admors do hereby covenant to and with the said Thomas Wright Jr. his heirs Exors admors and assigns to protect their right and interest herein conveyed to him the said Thomas Wright Jr and herein before set forth and particularly described against the claim or demand of all and every person or persons whatsoever - In Testimony whereof the said George Wright and Susan F his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written

Geo: Wright

Tappahannock - Essex Quarterly Court begun and held the 15th day of August 1825

This Deed from George Wright and Susan F his wife to Thomas Wright Jr was acknowledged in open Court by George Wright one of the parties thereto to be his proper act and deed, and ordered to be Recorded as to him

Teste
Wm B Matthews Clk"

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on April 1:

Apl 1	George Wright	23	7		

1 Gig $55 1 Coachee $250 value	14.65

The 1826 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	In fee	506	Jos: W Fisher & R Motley
" "	"	"	353	ditto

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land & Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 SW	5.50		2783.00	2.23	
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	

This record reflects the sale of 130 or 132 acres in 1825 by Essex County Deed 41/412.

On June 17, 1826, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 42/18 George Wright, as trustee under a deed of trust executed by John St. John, sold to Joseph Jancy 110 acres of land and three slaves:

> "This Indenture made this 17th day of June 1826 between George Wright of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the first part and Joseph Jancy of the same County and State of the second part; Whereas the said John St. John being justly indebted to the said Joseph Jancy in the sum of ninety eight pounds twelve shillings and one penny by bond bearing date 19th August 1822, for the purpose of securing the payment of the same, did on the said 19th August 1822 by a certain Indenture of Trust purporting to be made by the said John St. John of the first part the said George Wright of the second part and the said Joseph Jancy of the third part convey to the said George Wright his heirs and assigns forever all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Essex and State of Virginia adjoining the land of Mrs Ann St. John & formerly the land of James Fisher, and the land of the estate of Wm Newbill containing one hundred

and ten acres be the same more or less, and the following slaves to wit - George a negro man Delphia a negro woman and Sally a negro girl, with power in the event that the said John St. John should make default in the payment of the said sum due Joseph Jancy either in the whole or in part, for the said George Wright so soon after the happening of such default of payment as he might think proper, or the said Joseph Jancy his heirs Exors admors or assigns might request, to sell the said tract of land with the appurtenances together with the aforesaid slaves and the future increase of the females for the purpose of satisfying the charges thereof, and all other expenses attending the premises, and paying to the said Joseph Jancy his Exors admors or assigns, the sum of ninety eight pounds twelve shillings and six pence and the interest which might thereon have lawfully accrued, and the said John St. John having failed to fully satisfy the said Joseph Jancy the said sum as herein before mentioned and the said George Wright being requested by the said Joseph Jancy to proceed to sell the said tract of land with the appurtenances thereunto belonging and the slaves George and Delphia herein before mentioned for the purposes aforesaid, did on the 3rd day of May 1826 after having advertised the said tract of land and the said slaves George & Delphia aforesd according to the provisions of the said deed proceed to sell the said tract of land herein before mentioned at public auction to the highest bidder for ready money, and thereupon the same was struck off to the said Joseph Jancy at the sum of Three hundred dollars that being the highest bid made for the said land, and at the same time and place proceeded to sell in like manner the negro woman named Delphia, who was also struck off to the said Joseph Jancy for the sum of Ten dollars that being the highest bid offered. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said George Wright for and in consideration of the said Joseph Jancy's having become the purchaser of the said tract of land as aforesd in payment of his debt aforesaid, and the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Joseph Jancy at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted bargained sold aliened released enfeoffed & confirmed, and by these presents doth grant bargain, sell, alien, release enfeoff and confirm unto the said Joseph Jancy, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex and State of Virginia, herein before mentioned containing one hundred and ten acres, be the same more or less and bounded as herein before mentioned, conveyed by the said John St. John by the said Indenture of Trust purporting to be made by the said John St. John of the first part the said George Wright of the second part and the said Joseph Jancy of the third part bearing date the 19th August 1822 and duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Essex, and doth hereby for himself his heirs Exors and admors, covenant to and with the said Joseph Jancy his heirs Exors admors and assigns to protect and defend the title of the said George Wright under the said Indenture of Trust, to the said Joseph Jancy his heirs and assigns forever, but it is hereby declared to be the true intention and meaning of this Indenture, that the said George Wright conveys such title only as he acquired under the Indenture of trust aforesaid, and

does not warrant any other or greater title in any way whatever; and the said George Wright for and in consideration of the said Joseph Jancys having purchased the said negro woman Delphia as aforesaid, doth hereby bargain sell and deliver to the said Joseph Jancy the said negro woman Delphia and invest him the said Joseph Jancy with such title as he the said George Wright, has under the deed aforesaid. In Witness whereof the said George Wright hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal the day and year first herein written

1st ¶. the words "to sell,) Geo: Wright
interlined before signed)

Essex County Court Office July 8th 1826

This Deed from George Wright to Joseph Jancy was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by the said Wright to be his proper act and Deed and admitted to Record.

Teste
Wm B Matthews Clk

1827 Feby 20th Recd the original recorded opposite

Joseph Jancy"

On March 7, 1827, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 42/205 George Wright purchased from Albert Rennolds all of his interest as heir in the lands of his father Streshly Rennolds:

"Know all men by these presents that I Albert Rennolds of Essex County for and in consideration of the sum of four hundred dollars to me in hand paid by George Wright before the signing and ensealing of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said George Wright and to his heirs and assigns forever all the right title claim interest and demand which I am possessessed of, or entitled to, as an heir and legatee of my father the late Sthreshly Rennolds ded of the County of Essex of in and to the Estate both real and personal of John Rennolds decd late of the City of London except a water grist mill heretofore conveyed by me to Thomas M Henley, that may be at this time in the state of Virginia or the United States or any of the territories thereof, including lands houses lots or tenements debts due by land or secured by mortgage and all securities and contracts which may enure to the benefit of said estate, and any balance that may be due from the administrator of said John Rennolds decd upon a settlement of his administration account and all and every other claim or demand which I may be entitled to as aforesaid in the said State of Virginia or the United States or any of the states or territories thereof and I do

hereby invest the said George Wright and his heirs and assigns with an absolute and indefeasible estate therein and do moreover for myself my heirs Exors and admors covenant to and with the said George Wright his heirs and assigns to protect and defend the right and title thereof to the said George Wright and his heirs against the claim or demand of all and every person whatever In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 7th March 1827

Signed sealed and deli-	)	Albert Rennolds
vered In presence of	)	
J W Fisher	)	
Ben Wright	)	

Essex County Court Office March 9th 1827 This Instrument of writing signed by Albert Rennolds was this day produced to me in my said Office and acknowledged therein by said Rennolds to be his proper act and deed and admitted record

Teste
William B Matthews Clk"

The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Horses Mares Asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
	George Wright	22	7		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and harness of Every Description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 gig $25 1 Coachee $200 value	13.68

The 1827 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

George Wright	Essex	fee	506	Jos: Fisher &c
" "	"	"	353	Richd Motley

9 West	5.50		2783.00	2.23	
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	20	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $175	12.36

The 1828 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	506	Josish W Fisher
" "	"	"	353	Richd Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land & Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 SW	5.50		2783.00	2.23	
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts Mules &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	21	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 1 Coachee $175	11.70

The 1829 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	506	Josiah W Fisher
Same	"	"	353	Richard Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
9 SW	5.50		2783.00	2.23	
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	

On April 3, 1829, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 42/605 George Wright conveyed to his brother Richard Wright his interest in 30 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 3rd day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, between George Wright of the County of Essex of the first part and Richard Wright of the same County of the second part; Whereas the said George Wright sometime during the month of May 1828 for the consideration of the regard and affection which he had for the said Richard Wright gave to him all the right title interest and claim which he the said George Wright has in and to a certain act or parcel of land conveyed by Gregory Dennett to John R Matthews by deed bearing date 19th November 1823 to secure the

payment of certain sums of money thereon mentioned due to the said George Wright and John Paine and subsequently sold by the said John R Matthews and purchased by the said Wright & Paine and whereas the said Richard Wright has desired the said George Wright to make to him a good & sufficient title therefor. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said George Wright in consideration of the premises and the further consideration of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Richard before the signing & sealing of these presents, hath granted bargained sold, aliened released enfeoffed & confirmed unto the said Richard Wright his heirs and assigns all the right title claim and interest which he the said George Wright may have in & to the said land stated in said deed to contain thirty acres more or less, but since ascertained to contain upwards of Sixty acres the boundaries of which land are mentioned in the deed herein before referred to. To have & to hold the interest of the said George Wright in and to the said land & premises to the said Richard Wright his heirs & assigns & to and for their proper use & behoof & the said George Covenants to & with the said Richard Wright to protect & defend the right & title of the interest herein conveyed to the said Richard Wright against the claim or demand of the said George Wright his heirs and assigns but not against the claim or demand of all & every person whatever. In Witness whereof the said George Wright hath hereunto set his hand & affixed his seal the day & year first herein written

Geo: Wright

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse and Tappahannock on the 20th day of April 1829 This Deed was this day produced in Court and acknowledged by George Wright to be his proper act and Deed and Ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
Wm B Matthews Clk"

On April 17, 1829, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 42/634 George Wright and Susan F. Wright sold to Luda Cauthorn a water grist mill and 30 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 17th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine between George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the first part and Luda Cauthorn of the County of King and Queen and State aforesaid of the second part Witnesseth that the said George Wright and Susan F. Wright his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Three hundred and thirty three dollars thirty three and one third cents to them in hand paid by the said Ludy Cauthorn at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained sold aliened released enfeoffed and confirmed unto the said Luda Cauthorn his heirs and assigns forever one third part of a water grist Mill with the land attached thereto supposed to contain

between twenty eight and thirty acres be the same more or less situate lying and being in the said County of Essex, adjoining the lands of Colo: Archibald Ritchie and the said George Wright it being the mill onced owned by Erasmus Jones decd in whose will the boundaries of the land attached thereto are particularly designated, to have and to hold the said one third part of the said water grist mill,and the said one third part of the land attached thereto with the right and priviledge of keeping and maintaining a head of water of the height of the present floodgates having the floor thereof for a basement which is supposed to be the height agreed upon between the said Erasmus Jones decd and John Upshaw decd who then owned the land at the head of the said mill pond at this time held by the said George Wright To have and to hold the said one third part of the water grist mill aforesaid and the said one third part of the land attached thereto as aforesaid, together with all and singular the buildings ways and water priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging and the reversion & reversions remainder and remainders and every part and parcel thereof to the said Luda Cauthorn his heirs and assigns forever, and to and for their proper use and behoof. And the said George Wright and Sarah F Wright his wife for themselves and their heirs the said one third part of the watergrist mill and the said one third party of the land attached thereto, and the priviledges and appertenances thereunto belonging as aforementioned unto the said Luda Cauthorn his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of them the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife, or either of them their or either of their heirs and all and every person or persons whatsoever in as full and ample a manner as the same is at this time enjoyed by the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife, shall will and do warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

Signed Sealed and deli-	)	Geo: Wright
vered in presence of	)	Susan F Wright

Essex County to wit. We Walter Bowie and Laurence Roane Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Susan F Wright the wife of George Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date in the 17th day of April one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Susan F Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 10 May 1829

Walter Bowie
Laur Roane

Essex County Court Office 18th May 1829

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in the said Office by George Wright to be his proper act and deed and together with the Justices certificate annexed admitted to record.

Teste
Zach U. Crittenden D.C. for
Wm B Matthews Clk"

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mares	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	26	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $40 value	12.24
1 Coachee $120 value	

The 1830 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	506	Jos. W Fisher
Same			353	Richd. Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
9 SW	5.50		2783.00	2.23	
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	

The 1830 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
George Wright	1	30-40	1	60-70
	1	10-15	1	30-40
	1	5-10		
	1	0-5		

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
3	36-55	3	36-55				
3	24-36	2	24-36				
11	10-24	6	10-24				
5	0-10	7	0-10				

	White Persons included in the foregoing				
Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
46					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing			
Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

This record indicates that George Wright and Susan F. (Jones) Wright were born between 1790 and 1800.

On July 2, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 43/242 George Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by James L. Cox to secure a debt due to William McDonald and Samuel McDonald, merchants and partners of William McDonald & Son of Baltimore.

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses Mares, asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	24	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description		Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig	$25	8.98
1 Coachee	$120	

The 1831 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	506	Josiah W Fisher
Same			353	Richd. Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 West	5.50		2783.00	2.23	
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
	George Wright	22	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	6.48

The 1832 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	506	Josiah W Fisher
Same		fee	353	Richd. Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 West	5.50		2783.00	2.23	
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	

On January 1, 1833, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 44/146 George Wright purchased from Josiah W. Fisher, as commissioner, and William Fisher, as administrator of the estate of Ann Fisher, 850 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 1st day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three between Josiah W Fisher, William Fisher for himself and as Commissioner specially appointed under a decree of the County Court of Essex on the 17" day of December 1832 in a suit therein depending wherein George Wright is plaintiff and the said William Fisher in his

own right and as administrator of Ann Fisher decd Josiah W Fisher William G Faver and Frances his wife and John A Fisher Benjamin Fisher, William E Motley, Catharine A Motley, James Motley Richard Motley Jr, Mary E Munday, Mary F Faver, Milton H Faver, Mildred A Faver and Anna & Elizabeth Faver infants by Richard Motley assigned Guardian by the Court to defend them in the said suit are defendants for and in behalf of the said infants defendants John A and Benjamin Fisher, William E Catharine A. James and Richard Motley Jr Mary E Munday Mary F. Milton H. Mildred A. Anna and Elizabeth Faver and William G Faver and Frances his wife of the second part - Whereas the said Josiah W Fisher by certain articles of agreement bearing date the 24" of August 1832 made by the said Josiah W Fisher of the first part and the said George Wright of the second part, bargained and sold to the said George Wright all that tract or parcel of land of which the late Capt William Fisher of the County of Essex the father of the said Josiah W died seized and possessed Containing eight hundred and fifty acres more or less which included that part called Webbs at that time in the possession of Mrs Ann Fisher the mother of the said Josiah W Fisher for which the said Josiah W Fisher bound himself to execute a deed to the said George Wright in which the said Ann Fisher was to write and whereas the said Ann Fisher by an endorsement on the said articles of agreement bearing date the 5 September 1832 ratified and confirmed the said sale and bound herself her heirs executors and administrators to make to the said George Wright a deed with the covenants expressed in the said Articles of agreement for the said tract of land called Webbs, mentioned in said agreement all which will appear by the said articles of agreement and the endorsement thereon filed as an exhibit in the said suit in Chancery as aforesaid and the said Ann Fisher having departed this life without having executed the said deed & by and under the said decree pronounced in the suit aforesaid the said William Fisher and the said Josiah W Fisher as the heirs of the said Ann Fisher decd. and the said William Fisher therein appointed a Commissioner for and in behalf of the said infant defendants, and the said William H Faver and Frances his wife upon the said George Wrights complying on his part with the requisitions of said decree were required to execute a deed to the said Wright for all that tract or parcel of land called Webbs lying and being in the County of Essex Containing one hundred and forty acres be the same more or less devised by Erasmus Jones to the said Ann Fisher with certain covenants therein named; and the said George Wright having on his part complied with the terms of said decree. Now therefore This Indenture witnesseth that the said Josiah W Fisher for and in consideration of the premises aforesaid and the sum of Three thousand five hundred and fifty dollars to him in hand paid by the said George Wright at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and the further Consideration of seven hundred dollars paid or secured to be paid to the said William Fisher administrator of Ann Fisher decd according to the provisions of the decree aforesaid hath granted bargained sold aliened released enfeoffed and Confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain sell alien release enfeoff and confirm unto the said George Wright and his heirs and

assigns forever all that piece parcel or tract of land in the said agreement mentioned, situate lying and being in the County of Essex aforesaid Containing by estimation eight hundred and fifty acres be the same more or less being the tract of land of which the late Capt William Fisher the father of the said Josiah W Fisher died possessed and whereon he resided at the time of his death and includes that part or portion called Webbs as before mentioned bounded South by the lands of the said George Wright and the main road leading from Holts old shoop to Tappahannock on the east by the lands of Francis Munday devised to him by Micajah Munday, by the lands belonging to Mrs Nancy Sale the heirs of Richard Stokes decd & James W Jones on the Northwest by the lands belonging to the estate of Leonard Sale decd. the heirs of Brooking Sale decd and Edward Wright and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders and all and singular the said piece parcel or tract of land and every part and parcel thereof. To have and to hold the said parcel or tract of land and premises & every part and parcel thereof with all and singular the appurtenances to the said George Wright and his heirs forever & to and for their only proper use and behoof. And the said Josiah W Fisher doth hereby for himself his heirs executors and administrators covenant to and with the said George Wright his heirs executors administrators or assigns to protect and forever defend the right and title of all the said tract of land and every part and parcel thereof & all and singular the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to the said George Wright his heirs and assigns against him the said Josiah W Fisher his heirs and assigns and against all and every other person and persons whatsoever and also that the said George Wright his heirs executors administrators or assigns and every of them shall and may at all and every time and times hereafter have hold use occupy possess and enjoy all and singular the said tract of land and premises & every part and parcel thereof and all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging without any manner of let suit trouble vexation eviction disturbance or other hindrance or molestation of by or through the said Josiah W Fisher his heirs or assigns or any other person or persons whatsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the said tract of land and premises or any part or parcel thereof: and further that the said Josiah W Fisher his heirs or assigns shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter at the proper Costs and charges of the said George Wright his heirs or assigns make and execute or cause to be made and executed all such other lawful and reasonable Conveyances and assurances in the law for the further more perfect & absolute conveying and assuring the said parcel or tract of land with its appurtenances to the said George Wright his heirs or assigns forever as by the said George Wright his heirs and assigns or by his or their counsel learned in the law shall be advised devised or required. And the said William Fisher as Commissioner appointed under the decree pronounced in the suit aforesaid for and in behalf of the said infant defendants and the said William G Faver and Frances his wife one of the heirs of William H Fisher decd. who was one of the heirs of the said Ann Fisher decd (the said Wm H Fisher being a son of Benjamin Fisher decd and grandson of the said Ann Fisher decd) for and in Consideration of the premises aforesaid and the sum of one dollar to

them in hand paid by the said George Wright at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged & by & under the requisitions and provisions of the said decree doth hereby grant bargain sell alien release enfeoff and Confirm unto the said George Wright and his heirs and assigns forever the said tract or parcel of land called Webbs lying and being in the said County of Essex Containing one hundred and forty acres be the same more or less devised by Erasmus Jones decd to his daughter the said Ann Fisher and included in the tract herein before Conveyed by the said Josiah W Fisher to the said George Wright and the said William Fisher as one of the heirs of the said Ann Fisher decd and the said William G Faver and Frances his wife as heirs of the said William H Fisher decd who was one of the heirs of said Ann Fisher decd. to the extent that assets may come to their hands as heirs aforesaid do hereby for themselves their heirs executors and administrators and for each and every of them covenant to protect and forever defend the right and title of the said tract of land called Webbs to the said George Wright his heirs and assigns; and also that the said George Wright his heirs and assigns and every of them shall and may from time to time and at all times hereafter have hold use occupy possess and enjoy all and singular the said tract of land called Webbs and every part and parcel thereof with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging without any manner of let trouble eviction disturbance or other hindrance or molestation whatsoever of by or through the said William Fisher and the said William G Faver and Frances his wife as heirs aforesaid their or any of their heirs or assigns or any other person or persons whatsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the said tract of land and premises. And the said William Fisher as Commissioner for and in behalf of the said infant defendants doth for himself his heirs executors and administrators covenant to and with the said George Wright his heirs and assigns to protect and defend such title in and to the said tract of land called Webbs as he is authorised and empowered to convey by and under the decree aforesaid. In Witness whereof the said Josiah W Fisher and William Fisher and William G Faver and Frances his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year herein before written.

1st page 25" line the words "a)	J. W. Fisher
deed" interlined before signed.)	Wm Fisher as one of the
2 page 9" line the words)	heirs of Ann Foster decd
"James W Jones interlined)	and as Comsr in the decree aforesd. for
before signed. 3d page 6" line)	the infant defendants
the word covenant interlined)	William G Faver
before signed)	Frances A Faver
Signed Sealed acknowledged)	
and delivered in presence of)	
Witness)	
Thomas Matthews as to)	
J W Fisher & WF)	

James Roy Micon Jr as to Same)
N. W. B. Whitlock as to JWF & WF)

Tappahannock January 1st 1833 Received of George Wright the sum of three thousand five hundred and fifty dollars the Consideration within expressed as paid to me

Witness J. W. Fisher
Thomas Matthews

Tappahannock January 1st 1833. Received of George Wright the sum of seven hundred dollars the Consideration within expressed as paid to me.

Wm Fisher admr of
Ann Fisher decd

Essex County to wit

We Edmund F Noel & Th C Gordon Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that William G Faver parties to a Certain deed bearing date on the 1st day of January 1833 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded Given under our hands and seals this 18" day of February 1833

Edmund F Noel
Th C. Gordon

Essex County to wit

We H W Latane and Thomas C Gordon Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Frances Faver the wife of William G Faver parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 1st day of January 1833 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Frances Faver acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 12" day of January 1833.

H W Latane
Thos C Gordon

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 18" day of February 1833.

This Deed was acknowledged by Josiah W Fisher and William Fisher to be their act and deed and with the Justices Certificates annexed Ordered to be recorded.

Examd

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

August 9th 1833 Received the original deed recorded opposite hereto

Geo Wright"

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	27	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 Coachee $300	11.73

The 1833 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	506	Josiah W Fisher
Same		fee	353	Rd. Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 West	5.50		2783.00	2.23	
do	8.39	1200	2961.97	2.37	

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	30	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 1 Coachee $200	10.48

The 1834 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Rd. Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 West	6.40	1200	10937.60

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
8.75	850 acres added Conveyed to you by J W Fisher & others

This record reflects the purchase in 1833 of 850 acres of land by Essex County Deed 44/146 and the consolidation of all three parcels into a single parcel indicates that the parcels were adjacent to each other.

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of Horses Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	27	12		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 1 Coachee $200	9.97

The 1835 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richd. Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 West	6.40	1200	10937.60

Amount of Tax at the rate of Eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
8.75		

In March 1836 at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/261 George Wright and Susan F. Wright sold to James Roy Micon, Jr., all of their interest in the dower slaves of of Susan Jones, the widow of John Jones and mother of Susan F. Wright:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this __ day of March 1836 Between George Wright and Susan F his wife of the County of Essex and state of Virginia of the one part and James Roy Micon Jr of the same County and State of the other part. Witnesseth that the said George Wright and Susan F his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of Sixteen hundred Dollars to them in hand paid by the said James Roy Micon Jr at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said James Roy Micon his heirs Exors admors & assigns forever all their right title claim interest property or estate of in and to the dower slaves held by Mrs Susan Jones as the widow and relict of Capt. John Jones decd late of this County who was the father of the said Susan F Wright and which said right title Claim interest property or estate Consists of two sevenths and two thirteenths of a seventh one of which seventh the said George Wright acquired and holds in right of his wife Susan F Wright who was one of the daughters of the said John Jones decd and as such entitled at the death of the said Susan Jones to an equal distributable share in the said dower slaves; that is to say one seventh part thereof, and one thirteenth thereof the said George Wright acquired and holds in right of said wife, who is a sister of the half blood of John G Jones decd a son of the said Capt. John Jones decd who was also entitled to an equal distributable share in the said dower slaves at the death of his mother Mrs Susan Jones but who died intestate without issue and the said Susan F Wright became entitled to one thirteenth in the said dower Slaves as an heir of the half blood and a distributee in the estate of the said John G Jones decd and the other one Seventh and one thirteenth the said George Wright holds and acquired by purchase from Thomas Wright Jr as the admor of his late wife Polly Wright who was another daughter of the said John Jones decd. and as such entitled to one seventh in the said dower slaves held by Mrs. Susan Jones for life, that being her equal distributable share in them and the one thirteenth aforesaid so purchased by the said George Wright of the said Thomas Wright Jr the said Thomas Wright Jr acquired and became entitled thereto in right of his said wife Polly who was another heir of the half blood and distributee in the estate of the said John G Jones decd. and for which said interest so purchased by the said George Wright of the said Thomas Wright Jr. the said George Wright holds a deed of transfer from the Said Thomas Wright Jr. To have and to hold the said

two sevenths and two thirteenths in the dower slaves herein before mentioned unto the said James Roy Micon Jr hisheirs Exors admors & assigns forever to his and their only proper use benefit and behoof forever and they said George Wright & Susan F his wife as for themselves & their heirs Exors & admors covenant and agree to and with the said James Roy Micon Jr his heirs Exors & admors & assigns to warrant and defend the right and title to the said two sevenths and two thirteenths in the dower Slaves aforesaid unto the said James Roy Micon Jr his heirs Exors & admors & assins against themselves their heirs Exors & admors and of all and every other person or persons whomsoever. In Testimony whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

Signed Sealed acknowl-	)	Geo: Wright
edged and delivered	)	Susan F Wright
in presence of	)	

Essex County to wit

We Richard Croxton & Laurence Roane Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and State and State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Susan F. Wright the wife of George parties to a certain deed bearing date the __ day of March 1836 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Susan F Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & Seals this 24th day of November 1836

Richd Croxton
Laurence Roane

Essex County Court Clerks Office January 20th 1837

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the office aforesaid by George Wright to be his act and deed and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

1842 Septr 13th Recd the original Deed recorded opposite

James Roy Micon Jr"

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

	George Wright	31	13		

1 Gig $50 1 Coachee $200	11.03

The 1836 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richd Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 west	6.40	1200	10937.60

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
8.75	

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	30	13		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $20 1 Coachee $200	11.78

The 1837 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richard Motley

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 West	6.40	1200	10937.60

Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
8.75	

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	30	11		

Riding	
1 Gig $50 1 Coachee $300	13.38

The 1838 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richd Motley & others

Distance and bearing from the court House	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dollars Cents				
9 West	6.40	1200	10937.60	10.94	

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Dollars Cents
	George Wright	37	12		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $40 1 Coachee $200	14.56

The 1839 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richd Motley & others

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls cents				
9 West	6.40	1200	10937.60	10.94	

On April 9, 1840, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 46/471 George Wright gifted to his son John J. Wright certain property:

"I George Wright one of the grantees named in the within Deed do hereby for myself my heirs Exors & admors grant bargain sell transfer and Convey to my son John J Wright all my right title and interest in and to the property Conveyed by the said deed for and in Consideration of the natural love and afection which I bear my said son & the further Consideration of five dollars to me in hand paid hereby warranting the title to said property to my said son & his heirs & assigns forever: Witness my hand and seal this 9th day of April 1840.

Geo: Wright

At a Court of Quarterly session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 18th Day of May 1840. The Deed of Gift endorsed in the Within Deed from George Wright to John J Wright being acknowledged by George Wright to be his act and Deed was Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules and Colts	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
George Wright	38	12		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
2 Gigs @ $40 each 1 Coachee $200	15.36

The 1840 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description & Situation of the Land
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richd Motley &c
Same			2	at Dixburg

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls cts	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax whole tract of on the Land at the legal rate
9 West	7.00	1500	1965.00	11.97
8 do	410.00	800	820.00	.82

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

2 Acres added Conveyed to you by Thomas A Banks and wife

The 1840 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
George Wright	1	40-50	1	60-70
	3	20-30	1	40-50
	1	15-20		
	1	10-15		

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				4	36-44	5	36-55
				8	24-36	3	24-36
				10	10-24	10	10-24
				10	0-10	14	0-10

	Number of Persons in each Family Employed in					
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Naviga-tion of canals lakes and rivers
72			36			

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Univer-sities or College	Number of Students	Acade-mies & Grammar Schools	No. of Schol-ars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on April 3:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
April 3	George Wright	2	5	31

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Carriages, whether four Wheel or two wheel riding Carriages, phaetons, Stage wagons, Carryalls and Jersey wagons, and all Others with the value thereof including Harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
12	1 Gig $40 1 Coachee $200	18.90

The 1841 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richd Motley
Same			2	at Rexburg

Distance and bearing from the Court house		Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax on the Land at the legal rate
9 West	7.00	1500	1963.00	14.96
8 do	410.00	800	820.00	1.03

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

On February 25, 1842, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/308 George Wright and Susan F. Wright conveyed to Arthur T. Rennolds, Larkin Noel, John Rowzee, Robert R. Rowzee, James Powers, Robert Munday and Muscoe Munday, as trustees, 156 poles of land for a Methodist Episcopal Church:

> "This Indenture made this 25 day of Feby in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and forty two between George Wright and Susan his wife of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the one part, and Arthur T Rennolds Larkin Noel John Rowzee Robert R Rowzee James Powers Robert Munday & Muscoe Munday Trustees in trust for the uses and purposes hereinafter mentioned all of the County and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said George Wright and Susan his wife for and in consideration of the sum of

one dollar specie to them in hand paid at and upon the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have given granted bargained sold released confirmed and conveyed and by these presents do give grant bargain sell release confirm and convey unto them the said Arthur F Rennolds Larkin Noel, John Rowzee Robert R Rowzee James Powers Robert Munday & Muscoe Munday and their successors Trustees in trust for the uses and purposes hereinafter mentioned and declared, all the estate right title interest property claim and demand whatsoever either in law or equity which they the said George Wright and Susan his wife have in to or upon all and singular a certain plot or piece of land situate lying and being in the County and State aforesaid bounded and baitted(?) as follows; to wit commencing at a Red oak corner to T: Banks and running thence North seventy six West four and a half poles to a red oak in a bottom, thence North Eighty eight West ten and a half poles to a small red oak new corner thence north twelve East eleven poles to a stake thence south eighty two East fifteen poles to the road thence South Twelve West ten and three fourth poles to the beginning containing and laid out for one hundred and fifty six poles of land together with all and singular the houses, woods, Waters, ways privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appurtaining; To Have and to hold all and singular the above mentioned and described lot or piece of land situate lying and being as aforesaid together with all and singular the houses woods Waters ways and privileges thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto them said Arthur F Rennolds Larkin Noel, John Rowzee, Robert R Rowzee, James Powers Robert Munday Muscoe Munday and their successors in Office forever in trust that they shall erect and hold or cause to be erected and built thereon a house or place of worship for the use of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America according to the rules and discipline which from time to time may be agreed upon and adopted, by the Ministers and preachers of the said Church at their General Conference in the United States of America; And in further trust and confidence that they shall at all times forever hereafter permit such Ministers and preachers belonging to said Church as shall from time to time be duly authorized by the General conference of the Ministers and preachers of the said Methodist Episcopal Church or by the Annual Conferences authorized by the said General Conference to Preach and expound Gods Holy word therein and in further and confidence that as often as anyone or more of the Trustees herein before mentioned shall be or cease to be a member or Members of the said Church according to the rules and discipline as aforesaid then and in such case it shall be the duty of the stationed Minister or Preacher (authorized as aforesaid) who shall have the Pastoral Charge of the Members of the said Church to call Meeting of the remaining Trustees as soon as coveniently may be, and upon so met the said Minister or Preacher shall proceed to nominate one or more persons to fill the place or places of him or them whose Office or Offices has or have been vacated as aforesaid. Provided the person or persons so nominated shall have been one year a member or members of the said Church immediately preceding such nomination and be at least twenty five years of age. And the

said Trustees so apointted shall proceed to elect and by a majority of votes appoint the person or persons so nominated to fill such vacancy or vacancies in order to Keep up the number of nine Trustees forever; And in case of an equal number of votes for and against the said nomination the stationed Minister or Preacher shall have the casting Vote: Provided nevertheless that if the said Trustees or any of them or their successors have advanced or shall advance any sum or sums of money or are or shall be responsible for any sum or sums of money on account of the said premises, and they the said Trustees or their successors be obliged to pay the said sums of money they or a majority of them shall be authorized to raise the said sum or sums of money by a mortgage on the said premises or by selling the said premises after motion given to the Pastor or Preacher who has oversight of the Congregation attending Divine service on the said premises, if the money due be not paid to the said Trustees or their successors within one year after such notice given, and if such sale take place the said Trustees or their Successors after paying the debt and other expenses which are due from the money arising from such sale shall deposit the remainder of the money produced by the said sale in the hands of the steward or stewards of the society belonging to or attending divine services on said premises, which surplus of the produce of such sale so deposited in the hands of the said Steward or Stewards shall be at the disposal of the next Annual conference authorized as aforesaid which said Annual Conference shall dispose of the said money according to the best of their Judgement for the use of the said Society. And the said George Wright and Susan his wife do by these presents warrant and forever defend all and singular the before mentioned and described lot or piece of land with the appurtenances thereto belonging unto them the said Arthur F Rennolds Larkin Noel John Rowzee Robert Rowzee James Powers Robert Munday & Musco Munday and their successors chosen and appointed as aforesaid from the claim or claims of them the said George Wright and Susan his wife their heirs and assigns and from the claim or claims of all persons whatever. In testimony whereof the said George Wright and Susan his wife have hereto set their hands and Seals the day and year aforesaid

Geo: Wright
Susan F Wright

Essex County to wit

We Richard Rowzee and Richard Motley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that George Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date 25th February 1842 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his Act and Deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the

Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the same may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this the 25th day of February 1842

Richard Rowzee JP
Richard Motley JP

Essex County to Wit

We Richard Rowzee and Richard Motley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Susan F Wright wife of George Wright party to a certain deed bearing date 25th February 1842 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband she the said Susan F Wright declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands and seals this the 25th of February 1842

Richard Rowzee JP
Richard Motley JP

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 21st Day of March 1842

This Deed was this day produced in Court with the Justices certificates annexed and Order to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	George Wright	2	3	34

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Forte Pianoes Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
14	1	1	1			$10

Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $20 1 Coachee $200	21.40

The 1842 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richard Motley
Same			2	at Rexburg

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land count	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
9 West	7.00	1500	11963.00	14.96
8 do	410.00	800	820.00	1.03

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
	George Wright	2	32	4

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks
13				1	

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents
			1	25.00		

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $150	21.38

The 1843 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richard Motley
Same			2	at Rexburg

Distance and bearing from the Court house	__ Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value
9 do	7.00	1500	11963.00	17.95
8 do	410.00	800	820.00	1.23

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year

The marriage record of George Wright and Mary B. Spindle was dated on January 25, 1844, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Know all Men by these Presents - That we George Wright and James Roy Micon are held and firmly bound unto The Commonwealth of Virginia, for the time being, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Witness our hands and seals, the 25th day of January 1844.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such - That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the said George Wright (widower) and Miss Mary B Spindle then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Executed in the presence Geo Wright
James Roy Micon

Clerk's Office of Essex County Court, 25th day of January 1844.

Personally appeared before me in my Office Reuben L Pitts and made oath, that the above named Mary B Spindle is above the age of 21 years, and that the said Mary B Spindle usually resides in said county.

James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household May 29:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
May 29	George Wright	3	31	13

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and value	Gold Watches	____
1 $130			1 $20	2	

1				$10	
				1	29.52½

The 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Lands as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richd Motley
Same			2	at Rexburg
Same			353	Sally Spindle

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 NW	7.00	1500	11963.00
8 do	410.00	800	820.00
16 do	7.00		2471.00

Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
14.96	556 acres added Conveyed to you by James
1.03	Wright, and also 353 ditto acquired by
3.09	Your intermarriage with Mary B Spindle

This record reflects the marriage of George Wright and Mary B. Spindle and the transfer of her land to George Wright's ownership.

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
George Wright	1	31	2	12

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $100			1 $20	1

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds
1 $10			

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				24.81

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richd Motley & others
Same			2	at Rexburg
Same			353	Sally Spindle
Same			556	James Croxton & others

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 NW	7.00	1500	11963.00	11.97
8 do	410.00	800	820.00	.82
16 do	7.00		2471.00	2.48
8 South	3.00	400	1861.48	1.89

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

On July 31, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/33 George Wright purchased from Peter J. and Catharine Derieux a parcel of land of uncertain acreage:

"This Indenture made this 31st day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and forty five, between Peter J Derieux and Catharine his Wife of the County of Essex of the first part and Geo: Wright of the said County of the second part; Witnesseth that the said Peter I Derieux and Catherine his Wife for and in consideration of the sum of Five thousand dollars to them in hand paid by the said George Wright at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained and sold, aliened, released, enfeoffed and Confirmed, unto the said George Wright his heirs and assigns all the land owned by the said Peter J Derieux lying and being in the Counties of Essex & King & Queen being the tract whereon the said Peter J Derieux at present resides, supposed to contain __ Acres, but the said sale and purchase is made without regard to the number of acres, whether there be only one hundred or five hundred, the said land being that once owned by Joseph Jones, Mary St: John, Richard St: John, Ann St: John Isaac Brooks' heirs and William H Taylor - To have and to hold the said Tract of Land together with all and Singular the Privileges and Appurtinances thereunto belonging or in

any wise appertaining unto the said George Wright and his heirs and assigns forever, and to and for his and their only proper use and behoof. And the said Peter J Derieux and Catherine his wife, for themselves their heirs, Executors and administrators and each and every of them, do hereby covenant to and with the said George Wright, his heirs and assigns in manner and form following that is to say, that he the said Peter J Derieux and Catharine his wife will protect and forever defend the right and title of the said tract of land together with its privileges and appurtenances unto the said George Wright his heirs and assigns against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same and that the said George Wright his heirs and assigns shall and may at all times hereafter have, hold, occupy, possess and enjoy the said tract of Land with its priviledges and appurtenances as aforesaid, without the let hindrance, eviction or disturbance of all and every person and persons whatever - In Witness whereof the said Peter J Derieux and Catherine his Wife have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first herein written.

Signed, Sealed and deli-	)	Peter J Derieux
vered in presence of	)	Catharine Derieux

Essex County to wit;

We R. J. Muse and Edward L. Wright, Justices of the peace of the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby Certify that Catherine Derieux the Wife of P. J. Derieux parties to a certain deed bearing date on 31st day of July 1845 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily, and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Catherine Derieux to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 27" day of Oct: 1845.

R: J: Muse JP
Edwd. L. Wright JP

Essex County to wit;

We R: J: Muse & Edward L Wright & Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Peter J Derieux a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 31st: day of July 1845, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex, in order that the said deed may be recorded

Given under our hands and seals this 27th day of Oct: 1845

R: J: Muse J:P:
Edwd: L Wright JP:

Essex County Court Clerk's Office January 19th 1846

This Deed was this day produced in the Office aforesaid, and with the Justices Certificates annexed, admitted to record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On October 15, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/645 George Wright purchased from Thomas C. and Martha M. M. Gordon and Susan Jones 640 acres of land and a water grist mill:

"This Indenture made this 15 day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five, between Thomas C Gordon and Martha M. M. his wife and Susan Jones widow of the late Capt. John Jones decd of the County of Essex of the first part, and George Wright of the same County of the second part. Witnesseth that the said Thomas C Gordon and Martha M. M. his wife for and in consideration of the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said George Wright at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold aliened, released, enfeoffed and confirmed & by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, release, enfeoff and confirm unto the said George Wright and to his heirs and assigns forever a certain Messuage, tenement parcel or tract of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex with the water grist Mill thereon commonly called and Known by the name of Prospect Hill, containing by estimation six hundred and forty acres be the same more or less being the land, devised by the late Capt John Jones, for life to his wife Susan Jones, and at her death to the said Martha M. M. Gordon his daughter, including the land conveyed by deed bearing date the 1st January 1839 by Charles B Moss and Ann L his wife to the said Thomas C Gordon and excluding so much of the land of the Prospect Hill tract devised by the said John Jones as was conveyed by the said Gordon & wife to the said Ann L Moss by deed bearing date on the aforesaid 1st January 1839 which said tract of land called Prospect Hill as it at present stands is bounded by the main road leading from Loyds to Tappahannock the lands of Lawrence Roane, the said Charles B Moss & wife, Tazewell Dunn, Silas Conely and others. To have and to hold the said tenement parcel or tract of land, to-gether with the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging, together with the said water grist mill and all its privileges and appurtenances, unto the said George Wright and his heirs and assigns forever and the said Thomas C Gordon and Martha M. M. his wife for

themselves, their heirs, Executors and administrators and each and every of them, do hereby covenant to and with the said George Wright his heirs and assigns in manner and form following: that they and each of them will warrant, protect and defend, the right and title of the said tract or parcel of land herein and hereby conveyed and every part and parcel thereof and the said water grist mill together with the privileges and appurtenances belonging to each and either of them to the said George Wright and his heirs and assigns forever against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part or portion thereof - and further that the said George Wright his his heirs and assigns shall and may from time to time and at all and every time and times hereafter have hold, occupy, possess and enjoy the said land and Mill with their privileges and appurtenances against the let claim hindrance eviction or disturbance of any kind whatsoever - And the said Susan Jones for and in consideration of the premises aforesaid and the sum of five dollars to her in hand paid by the said George Wright, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath relinquished, remised and quitted claim, and by these presents doth relinquish, remise and quit Claim unto the said George Wright and to his heirs and assigns, all and every right, title, claim, interest and demand, which she hath in and to the said tract or parcel of land herein and hereby conveyed and the said water grist mill with their privileges and appurtenances and all and every part and parcel thereof - In witness whereof the said Thomas C Gordon and Martha M. M. his wife and the said Susan Jones have hereunto set their hands & seals the day and year first herein Written

Fanny Micon	)	Thos C Gordon
Bettie J Wood	)	Martha M Gordon
Ellen H Micon	)	Susan Jones

Essex County to wit:

We Austin Brockenbrough & Richard Croxton Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Martha M M Gordon the wife of Thomas C Gordon parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 10th Octobre 1845 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Martha M Gordon acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it.

Given under our hands & seals this 18th day of November 1845

Austin Brockenbrough
Richd. Croxton

Essex County Court Clerk's Office September 17th 1849

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said office by Thomas C Gordon to be his act and Deed and with the Justices' certificate annexed admitted to Record as to the said Gordon and wife

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On December 8, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/41 George Wright purchased from Achilles and Polly Noel 368 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 8th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five, between Achilles Noel Jr and Polly his wife of the County of Essex of the first part and George Wright of the same County of the second part; Witnesseth that the said Achilles Noel Jr and Polly his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Two thousand Dollars to them in hand paid by the said George Wright before the signing and ensealing of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, enfeoffed and Confirmed, and by these presents, do grant, bargain, sell, alien, release, enfeoff and confirm unto the said George Wright his heirs and assigns forever, a certain tenement, parcel or tract of land, situate lying and being in the County aforesaid, containing three hundred and sixty eight acres be the same more or less, it being the tract whereon the said Achilles Noel Jr at present resides including all the sunken land at this time covered by the overflowing of Hunter's Mill Pond together with all and singular the priviledges appurtenances, ways, waters, and water Courses thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining; which said parcel or tract of land is bounded by the lands of George Wright acquired by marriage with Mary B. Spindle, Occupation Creek, the lands of James Burke, Miss Sally Hunter and others - To Have and to hold the said tenement parcel or tract of land together with the priviledges, appurtenances &c thereunto belonging unto the said George Wright, his heirs and assigns forever - And the said Achilles Noel Jr and Polly his wife for themselves their heirs, executors and administrators and each and every of them, do hereby Covenant to and with the said George Wright his heirs and assigns, that they the said Achilles Noel Jr and Polly his Wife will protect and forever defend the right and title of the said parcel or tract of land, together with the priviledges appurtenances &c thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the said George Wright and his heirs and assigns, against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same; and further that the said George Wright his heirs and assigns, shall and may from time to time, and at all and every time and time hereafter, have hold, use, occupy, possess and enjoy the said tract or parcel of land and premises together with the priviledges appertenances &c; thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining against the claim, let, or hindrance of all

and every person and persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part or parcel thereof.

In Witness whereof the said Achilles Noel Jr. and Polly his Wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written.

Signed Sealed and deli-	)	Achilles Noel Jr
vered in presence of	)	Polly R Noel

Witnesseth that the said Noel in executing the above deed, reserves the family burrying ground, estimated to contain a forth of an Acre, & said Noel is not to suffer the Trees & srubs to grow to such a hight as to draw the surrounding land

Witness	B. E. Wright for
J. J. Goldman	Geo: Wright
Barber Spindle	
Willm Blackburn	

Essex County to wit;

We James Spindle and Alfred H Garnett Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Polly Noel the Wife of Achilles Noel Jr parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 8th of Achilles Noel Jr parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 8th December 1845 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she, the said Polly Noel acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed, and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 19th day of December 1845.

James Spindle
Alfred H Garnett

Essex County to wit;

We James Spindle & A. H. Garnett Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do hereby Certify that Achilles Noel Jr. Party to a Certain Deed bearing date on the 8th of December 1845 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to Certify said acknowledgement to the Clerk of

the County Court of Essex in order that said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 19th day of December 1845.

James Spindle
Alfred H Garnett

Essex County Court Clerk's Office January 19th 1846

This Deed was this day produced in the Office aforesaid, and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record And the Memorandum at the foot of the said deed, signed by B. E. Wright for Geo: Wright was acknowledged in the said Office by the said George Wright to be his act and deed, and also admitted to record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Colonel George Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Col George Wright	1	26	4	10

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $70				1

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				12.90

The 1846 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Rd Motley & L P Sale
Same			2	at Rexburg
Same			355	Sally Spindle
Same			556	James Croxton
Same			326	Ames Cauthorn
Same			36	Estate Frank Williams
Same			368	Hunters Mill pond

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 NW	7.00	1500	11963.00	11.97
8 do	410.00	800	820.00	.82¼
16 do	7.00		2471.00	2.48
8 South	3.33	400	1861.48	1.87
12 do	9.00	800	2934.00	2.94
11 do	2.50		90.00	.09
16 NW	5.00	350	1340.00	1.84

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

720 acres added 362 of __ Conveyed to you by P. J. D__ and Wife and 368 __ by Achilles Noel Jr and wife

This record reflects the purchase in 1845 of 362 acres of land by Essex County Deed 49/33 and 368 acres of land by Essex County Deed 49/41.

On December 28, 1846, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/249 George Wright and Mary B. Wright gifted to his son John J. Wright 859 acres of land subject to certain retained rights and interests and to Benjamin E. Wright two parcels of 368 acres and 358 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 28th of December 1846 between George Wright and Mary B his wife of the County of Essex of the first part John J Wright of the same County of the second part and Benjamin E Wright of the County aforesaid of the third part Witnesseth the said George Wright being desirous to make advancements to his sons the said J. J. Wright & B. E Wright and to procure for them & each of them the means of a comfortable support for them and their families, in consideration Thereof and the natural love and affection which he bears towards his said sons, hath given granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth give grant bargain and sell unto the said John J Wright and his heirs and assigns all his the said Geo. Wright's right title claim interest and demand in and to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the said County of Essex called & Known as Springfield whereon the said John J Wright at present resides containing by estimation eight hundred and fifty nine acres be the same more or less being the land devised by the late Capt. John Jones decd to his daughter Susan F. Wright subject nevertheless to the following reservations namely the free use of the family burying ground to the said George Wright and the other children of the said Susan F. Wright decd and their descendants, the privilege of taking a sufficiency of fuel rail timber from that part of the said land contiguous to the lot called Rexburg so long as the same shall be the property of said George Wright and no longer and the said John J Wright paying on the 1st January 1848 and annually thereafter if so required by the said George Wright for and during the life of Mrs. Susan Jones, the widow of the said John Jones decd the sum of fourteen dollars and thirty six cents And the said George Wright and Mary B his wife in consideration of the premises aforesaid and the sum of one dollar to them in hand paid at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged & the said Mary B. Wright for other good and valuable considerations her thereunto moving have given granted bargained and sold & by these presents do give grant bargain and sell unto the said Benjamin E. Wright and his heirs and assigns all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County aforesaid purchased by the said George Wright of Achilles Noel Jr a particular description of which will appear by the deed of the said Achilles Noel Jr to the said Geo. Wright of record in the Clerk's office of the County Court of Essex and also all the tract or parcel of land adjoining devised by Mordecai Spindle the father of said Mary B. to her the said Mary B. Wright therein called Mary B. Spindle the 1st tract purchased of Achillis Noel Jr as aforesaid estimated to

contain three hundred and sixty eight acres be the same more or less & the 2nd devised by Mordecai Spindle as aforesaid estimated to contain three hundred and fifty eight acres be the same more or less and the said George Wright for himself his heirs executors and admrs doth hereby covenant to and with the said John J. Wright and the said Benjamin E. Wright their and each of their heirs and assigns in manner and form following that is to say, that he the said Geo Wright will warrant protect and defend to the said John J. Wright such right and title in the said tract of land herein before named called Springfield as is herein and hereby conveyed being an estate for life as tenant by the curtesy against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same subject however to the reservations herein before named. And that he the said George Wright will warrant protect and defend the right and title of all the land herein & hereby conveyed to the said Benjamin E Wright against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever. And the said Benjamin E. Wright in consideration of the premises and the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said John J. Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said John J. Wright and his heirs and assigns one undevided third part of the said tract of land called Spring Field to which he the said Benjamin E. Wright as one of the heirs of his mother Susan F. Wright is entitled in reversion expectant upon the death of the said George Wright who is entitled to a life estate in and to the same as tenant by the Curtesy. To have and to hold the same to the said John J. Wright his heirs and assigns forever free from all and every claim and demand which the said Benjamin E. Wright and his heirs and assigns have or may hereafter be entitled to or have in and to the same. In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands & affixed their seals the day & year first herein written

1st Page 29th line the words	)	Geo. Wright
"rail timbers" interlined before	)	Mary B. Wright
signed 2 P 33d: the word	)	Jno J Wright
"such" interlined before signed	)	B. E. Wright

Essex County to wit

We Richard Rowzee & Richard Motley Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary B. Wright the wife of George Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 28th of December 1846 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us separately and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her the the said Mary B. Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had

willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same & that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 3rd day of Feby. 1847

Richard Rowzee
Richard Motley

Essex County Court Clerk's Office February 10th 1847

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the said Office by George Wright and John J Wright two of the parties to the same to be their act and deed & with the Justice's Certificate annexed as to the privy examination and acknowledgment of Mary B. Wright the wife of the said George Wright another party to the same is admitted to record as to them

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 15th 1847

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the said Office by Benjamin E Wright another party to the same to be his act and deed and admitted to record as to him

Teste
James M Matthews DC for
James Roy Micon Clk

1848 May 25th Origl Deed enclosed Mr Benj E Wright by mail to Occupa__ see order from Jno J Wright to sd B E Wright & sd B E Wrights written instruction filed in Bundle Deeds &c Mar 1847

J R M Clk"

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
George Wright	1	26	3	10

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches
$400			$25	1

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office
1			

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				22.90½

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
George Wright	Essex	fee	1709	Richd Motley & L P Sale
Same	"	"	2	at Rexburg
Same	"	"	353	Sally Spindle
Same	"	"	556	James Croxton & others
Same	"	"	326	Amos Cauthorn
George Wright	"	"	36	Est F. Mullins
Same	"	"	368	Hunters Mill pond

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
9 NW	7.00	1500.00	11963.00	11.97
8 "	410.00	800.00	820.00	.82
16 "	7.00		2471.00	2.48
9 S	3.33	400.00	1861.48	1.87
12 "	9.00	800.00	2934.00	2.94
_ S	2.50		90.00	.09
_ NW	5.00	350.00	1840.00	1.84

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
George Wright	1	27	3	11

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $300			1 $24	1

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				21.81

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
George Wright	Essex	fee	850	Leonard P Sale
Same	"	"	2	At Rexburg
Same	"	"	556	James Croxton & others
Same	"	"	326	Amos Cauthorn
Same	"	"	36	Est F. Mullins

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
9 NW	7.00	300.00	5950.00	5.95
8 Do	410.00	800.00	820.00	.82
9 South	3.33	400.00	1861.48	1.87
12 Do	9.00	800.00	2930.00	2.94
11 Do	2.50		90.00	.09

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

459 Acres deducted conveyed to John J Wright

726 Acres deducted conveyed to Benjn E Wright

This record reflects the gifts in 1846 of 859 acres of land to John J. Wright and 353 and 368 acres of land to Benjamin E. Wright.

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright and also George Wright at Lammermore with the following households:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
George Wright	1	31	2	10
George Wright at Lammermore		4	1	

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
2 $290				1

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds
$5			

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				22.16
				.60

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
George Wright	Essex	Fee	850	L P Sale
Same Same			2	Rexburg
Same Same			556	James Croxton & others
Same Same			326	Amos Cauthorn
Same Same			36	Est Frank Williams

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
9 NW	7.00	300	5950.00	5.95
8 "	410.00	800	820.00	.82
8 "	3.33	400	1861.48	1.87
12 S	9.00	800	2934.00	2.94
11 "	2.50		90.00	.09

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

On July 2, 1849, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/630 George Wright and Mary B. Wright sold to William H. Porter a 2 acre lot and house in Rexburg and a one-half interest in 30 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 2nd day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine, between George Wright and Mary B his wife of the county of Essex of the first part, and William H. Porter of Rexburg in the County aforesaid of the second part: Witnesseth that the said George Wright and Mary B. his wife for and in consideration of seven hundred dollars to be paid to the said George Wright in the following payment, to wit two hundred and thirty three dollars and thirty three 1/3 cents on the 1st October 1850, the like sum on the 1 October 1851, and the like Sum on the 1 October 1852, the two last of which are to bear interest from the 1 October 1850 for which the said William H. Porter and Sampson Porter his security have executed their three several bonds

to the said George Wright bearing date the 30th day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty nine, do by these presents grant bargain sell and convey unto the said William H. Porter his heirs and assigns the lot at Rexburg with the houses thereon situate in said County, containing by estimation two acres be the same more or less, and also one equal undivided interest in the lands adjoining thereto, owned by Leroy W. Dobyns and the said George Wright and purchased by them of Thomas A. Banks & wife as will appear by their deed to which Richard Motley is a party, of record in the Clerk's Office of Essex County, which said last named undivided tract is estimated to contain thirty acres be the same more or less - to have and to hold the said lot and houses and the undivided interest in the land aforesaid together with the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to the said William H. Porter his heirs and assigns forever, except that the priviledge of taking fire wood and rail & other timber from the lands of John J. Wright adjoining for the use of the lot and houses at Rexburg is henceforth to cease and determine, subject also to the unexpired term of William R. Dozier which ends on the 1st day of October next: and the said George Wright for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators doth covenant with the said William H. Porter his heirs and assigns that he will and his heirs shall warrant and defend the right and title of said Lot and houses and the said undivided interest in the land aforesaid against the lawful claims or demands of all persons, and further that the said William H. Porter his heirs and assigns shall and may at all times hereafter have hold possess and enjoy the Same against the let hindrance, eviction or other disturbance of all persons lawfully claiming the same except the unexpired term of said William R Dozier as aforesaid.

In witness whereof the said George Wright and Mary B. his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written.

1st P. 9th line the figure "1/3"	)	Geo. Wright
interlined before signed, &	)	M. B. Wright
1 P. 30 line the words "&	)	
other" interlined before signed	)	

Essex County to Wit:

We Richard Rouzie & Edmd. F. Noel Justices of the Peace in the county aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that George Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 2nd day of July 1849 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement

to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 7 day of July 1849.

Richard Rouzie
Edmund F. Noel

Essex County to Wit:

We Richard Rouzie & Edmd F. Noel Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary B. Wright the wife of George Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 2nd July 1849 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Mary B. Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same, and that she wished not to retract it.

Given under our hands and seals this 7" day of July 1849.

Richard Rouzie
Edmund F. Noel

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County, at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 16th day of July 1849:

This Deed was this day produced in Court, and with the Justices Certificates annexed, ordered to be recorded.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1849 August 8th Recd the Original Deed recorded opposite

W. H. Porter

Know all men by these presents that I, William H. Porter of Rexburg in the County of Essex for and in consideration of Sampson Porter having agreed to pay to George Wright the sum of seven hundred dollars, the consideration to be paid for the Lot & houses thereon called Rexburg, and the land thereto adjoining mentioned in the foregoing deed executed to me by George Wright and Mary B. his wife, as the several instalments respectively fall due, and the sum of one dollar to me in hand paid do hereby assign, bargain, sell and convey to said Sampson Porter the said houses and lot called Rexburg and the houses thereon and the land thereto adjoining conveyed to me in the foregoing deed as aforesaid, to have and to hold the same to said Sampson Porter his heirs and

assigns forever and I the said William H. Porter do hereby covenant for myself my heirs &c to protect and defend such right and title as I derived under the deed aforesaid from said Wright & wife as aforesaid aquired all and every person claiming by through or under me or my heirs. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 13th July 1849.

9th line the word "due" inter-) William H. Porter
lined before signed and 10th)
line the word "Paid" interlined)
before signed)
Executed in presence of
Richard Rouzie
Jno J. Wright

August 8th 1849 Recd the Original Deed recorded opposite

W. H Porter"

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright and also George Wright at Lammermore with the following households:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
George Wright	1	31	3	11
Same at Lammermore		4	1	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
2 $250				1

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
	1				$5

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds
	$120	

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			23.78
			1.80

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
George Wright	Essex	Fee	850	L P Sale
Same Same			326	Ames Cauthorn
Same Same			640	Hoskins Creek
Same Same			36	Est Frances Mullins

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 NW	7.00	300.00	5950.00	5.95
12 S	9.00	800.00	2934.00	2.94
3 NW	10.00	2000.00	6400.00	6.40
11 S	2.50		90.00	.09

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

Conveyed to you by Tho C Gordon & wife & Mrs. Susan Jones

On May 13, 1850, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/2 George Wright gifted to his son George T. Wright a parcel of about 36 acres of land:

> "This deed made this 13th May 1850 between George Wright of Essex County of the 1st part and George T Wright his son of said County of the second part: Witnesseth that the said George Wright being desirous to advance the interest of his said son in consideration thereof as well as for the affection he bears towards his said son & the sum of one dollar to him paid by said G. T. Wright before the execution of this deed has bargained & sold & by these presents doth bargain & sell unto the said G. T. Wright his heirs and assigns an equal moity of small tract of land lying in said County on the North side of the road leading Howertons Meeting House by the farm of Samuel Smith to the lower end of the County the precise quantity not recollected but supposed to contain about thirty six Acres acres - which said tract of land was embraced in the purchase together with the other land by the said George Wright of Peter J Derieux decd & conveyed in the deed made by said Peter J Derieux to the said George Wright and is nearly opposite but on the other side of the road to the farm of Richard Cauthorn on which he at present resides - To have and to hold the said moity of said tract of land to said George T Wright & his heirs & assigns forever - In Witness whereof the said George Wright has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal
>
> Geo Wright
>
> The moity of the tract of land above conveyed is a part of the land conveyed by William Horace Taylor & Julia his wife to Peter J. Derieux by deed bearing date the 1st February 1837 and admitted to record by the County Court of Essex on the 20th February 1837
>
> Geo Wright
>
> Essex County Court Clerk's Office May 20th 1850
>
> This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by George Wright to be his act and deed, and admitted to record
>
> Teste
> James Roy Micon Clk"

On May 27, 1850, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/12 George Wright sold to his brother Richard Wright all of the property purchased from William Wright, the son of Thomas Wright, as an insolvent debtor:

> "This Deed made this 27 May 1850 between George Wright of Essex County of the first part, and Richard Wright of the same County of the second part, Witnesseth that the said George Wright for and in consideration of twelve

hundred and twenty dollars to him paid by said Richard Wright which he hereby acknowledges to have received doth hereby grant bargain and sell unto the said Richard Wright all such right title and interest as was acquired by him by virtue of his purchase of the Sheriff of Essex County of the following estate embraced in the Schedule of William Wright by virtue of his taking the oath of an Insolvent debtor on the 7th September 1842 "to wit" all the right title and interest of the said William Wright both real and personal under the Will of his deceased father Thomas Wright and all the right title and interest which he the said William Wright was entitled to in the Estate of his deceased sister Matilda alias Susan Matilda Wright except any interest which the said Susan matilda may be entitled to under the Will of her brother Benjamin Wright decd together with any interest which said William Wright was entitled to in a portion of the negroes held by Thomas Wright decd in right of his wife Mary Wright decd under the Will of Thomas Pitts decd the several interests having been conveyed to said George Wright by Larkin Noel DS for James M Garnett Sheriff of Essex County by deed bearing date the 27th January 1843 and admitted to record in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Essex on the 19th October 1843 - To have and to hold the said several interests with the exception aforesaid to the said Richard Wright his heirs and assigns. And the said George Wright doth hereby covenant to and with the said Richard Wright his heirs and assigns to protect and defend such title as is vested in him by and under the deed executed to him by said Larkin Noel DS for said James W Garnett Sheriff as aforesaid and such only against him the said George Wright and all persons claiming under him, but against no other person - Witness the hand and seal of said George Wright the day and year aforesaid

Geo. Wright

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of June 1850

This Deed was this day acknowledged in Court by George Wright to be his act and deed and Ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1850 September 16th Recd the Original Deed recorded opposite

Richard Wright"

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the followng household on August 17, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
George Wright	55	M		Lawyer	10000
Mary Wright	42	F			
Mary Wright	3	F			
Catharine Brooks	40	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that George Wright was born in about 1795 and that Mary B. (Spindle) Wright was born in about 1808.

The will of George Wright dated on January 23, 1848, and two codicils dated January 25, 1848, and November 5, 1850, were probated on December 16, 1850, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 26/642, and provided as follows:

> "I George Wright do hereby declare this to be my last Will: this 23rd January 1848.
>
> I give to my beloved wife Mary B Wright all the negroes & their increase I acquired by virtue of my marriage with her, Fifteen Hundred dollars to be paid at my death, my carriage, carriage harness & horses all my Chamber furniture three other beds with their furniture two dozen chairs, my dining and tea tables, Crockery Wine and tea China, my safe that stands in the dining room my Clock, carpets, her gold watch, one dozen silver table spoons and one dozen tea spoons. I also give her for and during her natural life or widowhood either of my farms Prospect Hill with my moiety of the Water grist Mill thereon situated or Wallers, as she may select. I also give her the plough team work oxen and Ox Cart, horse tumbril, together with all my farming tools at Prospect Hill, four good Milch Cows four brood sows and twelve Sheep, and should she think proper she can take any other part or portion of my personal property negroes excepted to be accounted for by her at appraised value. I also give to my wife a sufficiency of corn provender & pork for the support of her family the year succeeding my death or when she may be invested with the possession of the farm herein devised to her - at her death or marriage I give the farm selected by her to my daughter Mary Susan.

I have heretofore conveyed to my son Jno. J Wright the farm called Spring Field and placed in his possession certain negro slaves I confirm to him his right to said land & give to him said slaves and their increase from the time he took possession of them. I gave him my interest in the Tavern lot in Tappahannock & this with the money I have paid him at different times, together with other considerations too tedious to name induces me to conclude that he has received a fair equivalent for any medical services which he may have rendered to me or my family & which I hereby require that he shall relinquish as a condition to his receiving the bequests made for him in this Will.

I give to my son George T Wright all the lands I bought of Peter I Derieux together with the slaves and their increase, and all other property on said farm, provided that he makes to his brother John a good and sufficient deed for the interest he is entitled to as the heir of his mother in the Spring Field farm should he fail to do so I wish my son John to receive an equivalent out of the property herein bequeathed to my said son George.

I give to my son Benjamin E Wright the farm called Prospect Hill, with my moiety of the water grist Mill thereon, or Waller as the case may be, which may not be selected by my wife under the power she has in this Will, provided he will consent, and he & his wife will unite in making to the purchaser a title to the land whereon he now lives, embracing the land I purchased of Achilles Noel & that I acquired by virtue of my marriage with my present wife - the proceeds of sale to be paid into the hands of my personal representative to pass with the rest and residue of my estate - should he accept this provision then I wish him in the distribution of the rest and residue of my Estate to receive five hundred dollars less than any other children, but should he decline accepting then I give to him one thousand dollars.

At my mothers death and after the value of the several interests I purchased under the schedule of my brother William Wright in my father, grand father Pitts's Sister Susan Matilda's & Benjamin Wright Estates can be ascertained, which said interests were conveyed to me by deed by Larkin Noel D.S. for James M Garrett Shff of Essex, or at an earlier period if necessary, I wish converted into money, one tenth part of which after deducting therefrom $200 with legal interest thereon from the 1st April 1843, I give to my niece Matilda daughter of my dcd brother C H. Wright another to my nephew Benjamin P. Wright son of my brother Robert Wright decd and another tenth to my brothers Thomas & Edward L Wright to be equally divided between them.

I give to Doctr John S Trible in Trust for the sole and separate use of Mrs Judy Wright wife of my brother James & her children the land I purchased of him & whereon he & his family at this time reside, also one half of the amount I paid as security for William Wright Guardian of the Houstons and as the Administrator of Saml. Greenwood decd my brother James being jointly bound with me as

security and having provided for the payment thereof under the deed of Trust he executed some three or four years since to Edward L Wright and Austin M Trible for certain purposes therein named. This bequest is made with the express condition that my Estate is to be subjected to no expense whatever in the recovery thereof or in any other way should my daughter Mary Susan die without lawful issue leaving her mother surviving, I wish the farm which she is to take at the death of her mother, to be sold after the expiration of the life Estate and Fifteen Hundred dollars of the proceeds to pass to such person or persons as my wife by her last Will may direct and appoint to receive the same, provided that no claim or title be asserted to the land she united with me in conveying to my son Benjamin E Wright, by any of the parties who may think they are entitled under the Will of her father Mardecai Sprindle decd: the balance of the proceeds of sale together with all other property herein given to my said daughter to be equally divided among my three sons John, George and Erasmus.
I wish the lands I am entitled to in the State of Texas the legal title to which is vested in Jno: F Brockenbrough Esqr., my Lot & houses called Roxbury and the land adjoining which I hold jointly with Leroy W Dolying together with the land held at this time by my son B. E. Wright should he accept the land herein devised to him and if not then my remaining tract of land after my wife has made her selection, to be sold in such manner and on such terms as my representatives herein after named may deem expedient, and the proceeds to constitute a part of the rest and residue of my estate.

I desire that my personal Representatives will convey to Doctr Lawrence Roane by a good and sufficient deed a moiety of the Water grist Mill on the Prospect Hill Estate he having paid Doctr Thomas C Gordon the full consideration therefor and the deed having been made to me.

The rest and residue of my estate including all that I have herein directed to be sold and to pass with it I wish divided in four equal parts one of which I give to each of my sons subject to the reservation to B E Wrights & the other to my wife to be held during her natural life or widowhood & at her death or marriage to pass to my daughter Mary Susan, & I do hereby declare it to be my object & intention that my wife takes not only the bequests contained in this clause but every other devise and bequest herein made to her subject to the support maintenance & education of my daughter while sole according to her State and Standing in my life.

Should my son George die without lawful heir I give all the Estate herein bequeathed & devised to him to be equally divided between his brothers John & Erasmus & his sister Mary Susan.

I commend Miss Catharine Brooks to the kindness & protection of my wife & children.

I appoint my son John J Wright & my wife Executor & Executrix to this my will & do not wish either to give security when they qualify.

Geo: Wright

Codicil to my last Will and testament to be taken as a part thereof In the division of the rest and residue of my Estate I wish my faithful servant Melissa and her daughters Henrietta and Susan to be embraced in that portion given to my wife for and during her natural life or widowhood and at her death to pass to my daughter Mary Susan subject to the like limitations should my said daughter die without lawful issue as is provided for in my Will: Frances and her Child Harvie and Lucy Ann in the fourth part given to my son John: Annica in the fourth part given to my son Erasmus and Davy in the fourth part given to my son George subject to the limitations in my will should my said son die without issue all the said negroes to be taken by the parties at their appraised value, and the amount deducted from their respective shares.

I give my faithful servant Milly Jackson to my wife to be taken by her at appraised value, to go to the payment of the fifteen hundred dollars legacy given her in my will.

I wish the annuity which Mrs Jones is entitled to receive under an assignment from Doctr Thomas C Gordon & wife to be paid in equal portions by my three sons and my wife so long as Mrs Jones may live.

Geo Wright
Jany 25th 1848

Second Codicil to this my last Will and testament.

1 - I do hereby revoke all bequests and devises contained in my Will and first Codicil to my son Benjamin E Wright except the slaves given him by my Will and I direct that the sum of one thousand Dollars be raised out of my estate to be applied to the payment of the bond which he executed with myself as security payable to James Temple, and now as I believe in the hands of Dr. Austin Brockenbrough, and which falls due on the first of January next.

2 - After my wife shall have made her selection which she has the right to do under my Will of either the "Prospect Hill or "Wallers farm, I give the other to the child of which she is at this time enceinte subject to her control and management as is provided for in relation to my daughter Mary Susan - that is to say, she is to appropriate the profits thereof as she may think proper during her natural life or widowhood, subject to the support and maintenance and education of said child according to his or her state and standing in society.

3 - In addition to the Fifteen hundred Dollars given to my wife in my will, I give her the further sum of Five hundred Dollars, together with the Sofa and other furniture in the Parlor purchased since I made my Will, and her Wardrobe in the Chamber.

4 - Having sold my several interests acquired by purchase at the Sheriffs sale of William Wrights' schedule, as also my Lot and a small tract of land thereto adjoining called "Roxburg" and my brother James Wright having died whereby his wife becomes entitled to the land which he conveyed to me by survivorship, I do hereby revoke all dispositions made by me in relation thereto in my said Will

5 - I wish all the rest and residue of my estate to be disposed of as heretofore directed in my will with this exception, that I wish it divided into five parts instead of three, one part of which I give to my son John J Wright, another to my son George T Wright subject to the provisions of my will, another to my daughter Mary Susan, subject to the like provisions, and another to the child of which my wife is at this time enceinte and the other to my grand sons George Silas Wright and Benjamin E J Wright - children of my son Benjamin E Wright and I do hereby appoint my son John J Wright Trustee to manage the property of my said grand children herein bequeathed to them: and I do hereby invest him with full power to sell, dispose of or appropriate the same in such manner as he may consider most conducive to the interest of my said grand Children.

6 Should the child of which my wife is at this time enceinte not be born alive or should it be born but die without leaving a child or children, then I give the property herein bequeathed and devised to it, to be divided into four parts, - one of which I give to my before named grand children to be divided equally between them, to be managed by my son John J Wright as herein before provided, and one fourth part to each of my children, John, George and Mary Susan - and should either of my grand children die without child or children, then I give to the survivor the full amount of the bequest herein made to them.

Witness my hand and seal this 8th day of November 1850.

Executed in the presence of Geo. Wright
Austin M Trible
Catharn L Brock

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 16th day of December 1850.

This Last Will and Testament of George Wright decd. with the Codicils thereto annexed being brought into Court, and offered for proof, and the body of the said writing and the first Codicil to the said Will having been proved to the satisfaction of the Court, to be in the proper hand writing of the said George Wright; (as well

as the signatures to the same writing, and the Codicil aforesaid) by William Wright and Munscoe(?) Garrett, who were first duly sworn and deposed and said that they were well acquainted with the hand writing of the said George Wright, and that they believed that the whole of the body of the said writing and also the said first Codicil and the signatures aforesaid are in the proper hand writing of the said George Wright and the second Codicil to the said Will being proved by the oaths of Austin M Trible and Catharine L Brock the two subscribing witnesses to the same thereupon the said writing and the Codicils aforesaid were ordered to be recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said George Wright decd.

Mary B Wright the nominal Executrix in the Will having signified to the Court, that she declined taking upon herself the burthen of the execution of the said Will and Codicils the same was ordered to be entered of record, Whereupon on the motion of John J Wright the nominal executor in the said Will, a certificate was granted him in order to his obtaining probat thereof in due form of law, he having first taken the oath in such case required by law, and entered into a bond payable to the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the penalty of Seventy-Six thousand dollars (without security the Testator having directed by his Will that none should be demanded) which said bond being conditioned as the law directs was acknowledged by the obligor and also ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

This record identifies the family of George Wright as follows:

Wife: Mary B. Wright

Children:
1) John J. Wright,
2) George T. Wright,
3) Benjamin Erasmus Wright,
4) Mary Susan Wright,

Grandchildren:
1) George Silas Wright, son of Benjamin Erasmus Wright,
2) Benjamin E. J. Wright, son of Benjamin Erasmus Wright,

Siblings:
1) William Wright,
2) Susan Matilda Wright,
3) C. H. Wright, deceased,
4) Robert Wright, deceased,
5) Thomas Wright,

6) Edward L. Wright,

7) James Wright,

Sibling in law:

1) Judy Wright, wife of James Wright,

Nieces & Nephews:

1) Matilda Wright, daughter of C. H. Wright,

2) Benjamin P. Wright, son of Robert Wright,

Grandfather: ____ Pitts

On February 2, 1852, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/228 John J. Wright, George T. Wright, and Benjamin E. Wright, as commissioners, sold to Tazewell Dunn a one-half interest in a water grist mill and a property known as Prospect Hill that had belonged to their father George Wright:

> "This Deed made this 2nd day of February 1852 between John J Wright George T. Wright and Benjamin E Wright Commissioners acting by virtue of a decree in Chancery of Essex Circuit Court, of the one part, and Tazewell Dunn of the other part, all of the County of Essex and state of Virginia: Whereas by a decree of the Circuit Court of Essex County pronounced on the 15th day of November 1851 in a cause then and still depending therein between John J. Wright, George T Wright George Silas Wright Benjamin E. J. Wright and Mary Susan Wright, the three last infants who sue by the said John J. Wright their next friend Plaintiffs and Mary B. Wright and Benjamin E. Wright in his own right and as trustee for George Silas and Benjamin E. J. Wright defendants, it was among other things adjudged ordered and decreed that the parties of the first part after having previously advertised the time place and terms of sale for four weeks in some newspaper published in the City of Richmond and by advertisments posted at the front door of the Courthouse of the County of Essex, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder the tract of land in the bill and proceedings mentioned called Prospect Hill with the Mill attached, one third of the purchase money to be paid in Cash the remainder in the equal annual installments with interest from the day of sale, and whereas there is a manifest error in the proceedings and decree in the suit aforesaid, in directing the sale of the water grist Mill attached to the said farm called Prospect Hill instead of one moiety of the said water grist Mill attached to the said farm called Prospect Hill the said farm and one half of the said water grist Mill being only the property of the late Col George Wright decd and whereas the said parties of the first part did advertise the sale of the said tract of land with one moiety of the Mill aforesaid as directed by the decree aforesaid as herein before recited and set forth, and on the 19th day of January 1852 did proceed to sell the same upon the terms herein before expressed at the Courthouse of the said County at which sale the said

Tazewell Dunn became the purchaser of the said land with one moiety of the Mill attached for the sum of Five Thousand and fifty dollars he being the highest bidder therefor, and whereas the said Tazewell Dunn the purchaser has fully Complied with the terms and conditions of said sale by paying one third of the sum herein before expressed in cash and executing four bonds of equal amount for the second installment of said purchase money to bear interest from the 19th of January 1852 till paid and payable in twelve months from the day of sale, and also by executing four other bonds of like amount for the third and last installment with interest from the 19th day of January 1852 till paid and payable two years from the said day of sale, and by executing a deed of trust, on the said tract of land with one moiety of the Mill thereto attached, and whereas the said Tazewell Dunn has requested the said parties of the first part to convey to him the tittle to the said land with the one moiety of the Mill thereto attached in the said proceedings mentioned. Now therefore this Indenture witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the premises and also for the further consideration of one dollar, do grant unto the said Tazewell Dunn, the tract of land called Prospect Hill with the one moiety of the Mill attached thereto in proceedings in said suit mentioned, and the said parties of the first part covenant that they will warrant specially the property hereby conveyed Witness the following signatures and seals

The words "one moiety of" in the 4th line from the top of 2nd page interlined before signed
Signed sealed acknowledged and delivered in the presence of

Jno. J. Wright Consr
Geo T Wright Consr
B. E. Wright Consr

Essex County County Court Clerk's Office 21st February 1852 - This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by John J. Wright George T. Wright and Benjamin E Wright to be their act and deed and admitted to Record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary B. Wright with the following household on July 4, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Mary B Wright	52	F		farmer	4500
M. S Wright	13	F			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
42600	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		1		

This record indicates that Mary B. (Spindle) Wright was born in about 1808.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary B. Wright with the following household on July 27, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Mary B. Wright	55	F	W	Keeping House	2,000
Mollie Wright	24	F	W	Without occupation	.
Sallie J Bird	60	F	W	Without occupation	2,700
Delphy Broocks	20	F	B	Dommestic Servant	.

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
580	Virginia				.
	Virginia				.
	Virginia				.
	Virginia				1

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Mary B. (Spindle) Wright was born about 1815.

On September 12, 1871, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 52/911 Mary B. Wright, Mary S. Wright, John J. Wright, B. J. Wright, and R. B. Wright sold to George Schools the life estate of Mary B. Wright in 144 acres of land and sold to John J. Wright 11½ acres of land:

"This Deed made this 12" day of September 1871 between Mary B Wright Mary S Wright John J Wright B J Wright and R B Wright of the first part and George Schools of the Second part; Witnesseth that Whereas the said Mary B Wright has a life Estate in the land herein after Sold & Conveyed with remainder to the other grantors in this deed & whereas the parties entitled in remainder have agreed that She may Sell the land herein after described receive and use the proceeds & that they will write with her in a deed making good the title of Said Schools in & to the land purchased by him Now Therefore in Consideration of the premises and of Seven hundred and twenty dollars in hand paid the said Mary B Wright by the said Schools the grantors in this deed do grant Sell & Convey with general warranty to the Said Schools one hundred and forty four acres of land lying in Essex Co: Va adjoining the lands of Jno S Rouzie Edward Wright & Jno J Wright being a part of the farm Called "Wallers" owned & held by Mary B Wright & bounded as follows beginning at A, stake Cr to Rouzie in Ed. Wrights line thence N 47½ E 23 chs 50 lks to B, stake Cr to M B Wright thence N 74 E 8 chs to Stake Cr to Same thence S 72 E 21 chs 50 lks to Stake Cr to Same thence S 13 W 7.90 c to pine Cr to Same thence S 20 W 7.65 C. to Spruce pine Cr to Same thence S 10 W 3.97 C to Spruce pine Cr to same thence S 4½ E 10.50 chs to Small pine Cr to Same & Dr J J Wright thence N 83½ W 9.50 c, to hickory Cr to Dr Wright Thence S 54 W 4.90 C to pine Cr to Same thence S 46 W 6.30 C to Sassafras Cr to Same thence W 22 chs 50 lks to Public Road Cr to Same Thence N 71 W 1.58 c to White Oak Cr to Same and Ed Wright thence N 6 E 9.70 c to the beginning as Shown by a plot of survey made by J D Hutchinson Sept 1st 1871 Mary B Wright reserving a private road Sixteen feet in width along Mr Rouzies line from A along the first course for herself and all persons who may hereafter own "Wallers". The Said grantors except Jno J Wright do further in consideration of five dollars per acre in hand paid them by the Said John J Wright grant Sell & Convey to him Eleven and a half acres of land lying in Essex County Va part of the Wallers tract bounded as follows beginning at A, a gum heretofore a line tree to Mary B & Jno J Wright & running thence due west, 26 chs to B a sassafras Cr to Geo Schools, thence N 46 E 6 chs 28 lks, to C a pine Cr to sd Schools thence N 54 E 4 chs 90 lks to D a Small Hickory thence S 83½ E 9 chs 50 lks to E, a small pine Cr to Mary B & Jno J Wright & Geo Schools thence S 55 E 10 chs to the beginning as shown by a plot of Survey made by D Hutchinson Sept 1/71 both of which platts are held respectively by George Schools & Jno J Wright. Witness the following Signatures & Seals

Mary B. Wright
Mary S. Wright
Jno. J. Wright
B. J. Wright
R. B. Wright

Virginia Essex Co to wit

I, B P Wright a justice of the peace for the County of Essex in the State of Va do Certify that Mary B Wright Mary S Wright Jno J Wright B J Wright and R B Wright whose names are Signed to the writing above bearing date on the 12th day of September 1871 have acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this 30th day of September 1871

B P Wright JP

I Mary B Wright agree that in the event of a Sale of Wallers under the will of the late George Wright I will deduct from the fifteen hundred dollars provided for in said will to be paid me on Certain Contingencies or rather to be disposed of by my last will & testament the Sums for which the lands sold & Conveyed in the deed hereto annexed to G W Schools & Jno J Wright were sold the proceeds of said sales having come into my hands by the Consent of the remaindermen under said will of Geo Wright witness the following Signature & Seal this 12th Sept 1871

Mary B Wright

Essex Co to wit

I B P Wright a justice of the peace for the County of Essex in the State of Va do Certify that Mary B Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date on the 12th of Sept 1871, has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this 30th day of Sept 1871

B P Wright J.P.

Virginia Essex County Court Clerks Office January 17th 1876

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the memorandum thereto subjoined signed by Mary B Wright and the justices certificates annexed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

1876 May 11th Recd the original Deed recorded opposite hereto

Witness
T. L. L Temple

George W. his X Schools Mark"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed the following information regarding the family of 1850 George Wright:

> "Colonel George Wright (1795-1850). He lived at Springfield which came to him from his first marriage. he is buried in the Springfield cemetery and the inscription on the tombstone speaks for itself.
>
> > 'In Memory of Col. George Wright oldest son of Thomas and Mary Wright of Essex County. He was born March 5, 1795, and married twice. First to Susan F. Jones July 17, 1816 and by this marriage left three children, John Jones, George Thomas & Benjamin Erasmus, and secondly to Mary Spindle July 30, 1841 and by this two children, Mary Susan and Sarah Georgina. He was for many years a practitioner of the law and held several important offices. He united himself with the Upper Essex Baptist Church July 22, 1821 in which he continued until his death Nov. 29, 1850.'
>
> Susan's tomb is by his side, but there is none for Mary B. Spindle Wright. On Susan's tomb is stated that she was the daughter of Capt. John Jones and Susan his wife, that she was born July 15, 1799 joined the Baptist Church 1811 and died Nov. 11, 1841."

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of George Wright and Susan F. (Jones) were the following:

1) Alfred Mortimer Wright, born on January 6, 1817,
2) John Jones Wright, born on June 9, 1819, in Virginia,
3) George Thomas Wright, born on October 6, 1821, in Virginia,
4) ____ Wright, a son, born and died on November 29, 1823,
5) Benjamin Erasmus Wright, born on July 19, 1825, in Virginia, and
6) ____ Wright, a son, born and died on November 9, 1827, and

and the children of George Wright and Mary B. (Spindle) Wright were the following:

1) ____ Wright, a son, born and died on March 5, 1845, and
2) Mary Susan Wright, born on November 16, 1846, in Essex County, Virginia.

i. <u>1818 Alfred Mortimer Wright</u>

1818 Alfred Mortimer Wright was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and Susan F. (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1850 George[4])

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Alfred Mortimer Wright 6th Jan 1817

Deaths

. . . .

Alfred Mortimer Wright 5th Decr. 1818

. . . ."

ii. <u>1876 John Jones Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Eliza J. (Noel) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

1876 John Jones Wright of Essex County was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and Susan F. (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1850 George[4])

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Marriages

. . . .

John J. Wright to Eliza J Noel July 6. 1842

. . . .

Births

. . . .

John Jones Wright 9th June 1819

. . . .

John J. Wright's children
Susan Jones Wright May 5, 1843

. . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Dr. John Jones Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which provided as follows with regard to his family:

"Family Record
Marriages

John Jones Wright and Eliza J Wright (who was before Francine Eliza J Noel were married July 4th 1842

Geo. T. Wright and Maria R. S. Wright (who before married was M. R. S Branham were married by the Rev. John P. McGuire in St. John's Church Tappahannock on the 1st day April 1851

Benjamin E. Wright and Sarah R. Wright (who before marriage was S. R. Spindle) were married the 5th day of Dec 1844

Benjm E. Wright & Lalla R. Robbins were married in the City of Richmond the 13 day of Sept 1850

Geo Wright to Susan F. Jones 17" January 1814

Capt John Jones to Sally Fisher Oct 3d 1798

Births

Susan Jones Wright daughter of Jno. J. and Eliza J Wright was born the 5th day of May 1843

Geo Silas Wright son of B E. & S R. Wright was born 18" day of September 1846
Benja E. J Wright, son of B E. & S R. Wright born 20th September 1849
Philip Selden Wright son of Geo T & M. R S Wright born 4th day of March 1852
Sarah Roane Wright daughter of B E Wright & L R Wright born the 10 Decr 1855
Richard Barnes Wright Second son of Geo. T. Wright Born the 13th of April 1854
Col Geo Wright 5 March 1795
Susan F Wright 5 July 1802
John Jones 21 April 1772
Sally Jones 7th Feb 1780
Susanna Fisher 22d Sep 1746
Benj Fisher 10 May 1736
Francis Jones 21" Mar 1739
Thos Wright Sen 27" July 1769
Mary Wright 6" Oct 1776
Jno J Wright 9th June 1819
Geo. T. Wright 1 Oct 1821
Benj E Wright 13" July 1825
Mary Susan Wright 16 Nov 1846

Deaths

Susan F Wright wife of Geo Wright, and eldest daughter of John Jones died November 1842 leaving three sons, John J Geo T and B E. Wright

Geo Wright eldest son son of Thomas Wright died 29th November 1850 leaving four children three soons & one daughter

Mrs Sally Jones, 25" Nov 1810
Capt John Jones 6 June 1819

Benj Fisher Mar 31st 1799
Susanna Fisher May 11th 1821

Philip Selden Wright oldest son of Geo F Wright died of Typhoid Depating the 8th day of August 1863 aged 11 years 1 month and 4 days leaving an only brother, and a deeply afflicted father to mourn their loss

Baptisms

George Wright at Beverly's Mill by Rev Thos ____ 22d April 1822
Susan F Jones Augt 11 1812"

This record indicates that John Jones Wright was born on June 9, 1819, and married Eliza J. Noel on July 4, 1842, and that John Jones Wright and Eliza J. (Noel) Wright had the following child:

1) Susan Jones Wright, born on May 5, 1843.

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Benjamin Erasmus Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mrs. Lucy Hunter Cardwell of Lynchburg, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Births
. . . .
Jno. J. Wright born the 9th June 1819
. . . .
Susan Jones Wright daughter of Jno J Wright was born the 2" May 1843
. . . .

Marriages

. . . .

Jno J Wright was married to Eliza. J. Noel on the 6th July 1842

. . . .

Susan J. Wright daughter of Jno. J. Eliza J. Wright was married to Dr. J. Milton Gouldin Apr 1876

. . . .

Susan J. Gouldin was married to Jas. Kosseler Mar 1882

. . . ."

On April 9, 1840, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 46/471 George Wright gifted to his son John J. Wright certain property:

"I George Wright one of the grantees named in the within Deed do hereby for myself my heirs Exors & admors grant bargain sell transfer and Convey to my son John J Wright all my right title and interest in and to the property Conveyed by the said deed for and in Consideration of the natural love and afection which I bear my said son & the further Consideration of five dollars to me in hand paid hereby warranting the title to said property to my said son & his heirs & assigns forever: Witness my hand and seal this 9th day of April 1840.

Geo: Wright

At a Court of Quarterly session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 18th Day of May 1840. The Deed of Gift endorsed in the Within Deed from George Wright to John J Wright being acknowledged by George Wright to be his act and Deed was Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1842 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright and others with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
John J Wright & others	Essex	fee	47 48 49 50	Tappahck

Value of Buildings Dolls Cents	Value of lots including Buildings Dolls Cents	Yearly rent of lots Dolls Cents	Amount of tax on Lots _ three dollars Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during preceding year
1200.00	1300.00	150.00	4.50	

The marriage record of John Jones Wright and Eliza J. Noel was dated on July 4, 1842, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Essex County to Wit,

This is to Certify to the Clerk of Essex County Court, that I Eliza J. Noel is a resident of Essex County and of lawful age, and that the said Clerk is hereby authorised to issue a licence for my intermarrying with Doct. John J Wright of the County aforesaid Witness my hand and seal, this the 5th day of July 1842

Leland Noel Eliza J. Noel

Know all Men by these Presents - That we John J Wright and Leland Noel are held and firmly bound unto John M Gregory acting Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, for the time being, and to his successors, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Witness our hands and seals, the 4th day of July 1842.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such - That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the said John J Wright (Doctor) & Miss Eliza J Noel Daughter of Edmund F Noel then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Executed in the Presence of Jno J Wright
J. M. Marchand Leland Noel

Clerk's Office of Essex County Court, 4th day of July 1842

Personally appeared before me, in my Office Leland Noel and made oath, that the above named Eliza J Noel above the age of 21 years, and that she usually resides in said county.

Teste
James M Marchand DC
for James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

Marriage Notices From Richmond, Virginia Newspapers, 1841-1853 listed the marriage notice for John J. Wright and Eliza Noel on July 6, 1842, in Paynefield:

"Married at Paynefield, Jul. 6, 1842, by Rev. Peter Trible, Dr. John J. Wright to Miss Eliza Noel, dau. of Edmund F. Noel, Esq., all of Essex Co. RE, Jul. 15, 1842, p. 3; RDW, Jul 16, 1842, p. 2; RW and RWPA, Jul. 19, 1842, p. 4"

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following household on May 23:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
May 23	John J Wright	1	4	1

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks
1		1			

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
1 Buggy $150	4.94	

On April 3, 1844, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/231 John J. Wright, as trustee, sold land to Wilson Coleman 118 acres of land belonging to Philip Coleman to pay debts due.

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following household on April 20:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
Apr 20	John J Wright	1	9	1

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and value	Gold Watches	____
1 $100					
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
					6.60

On February 1, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/341 John J. Wright and Eliza J. Wright sold to Austin Brockenbrough the land acquired by Essex County Deed 46/471:

> "This Indenture made this 1st February 1845 Between John J Wright and Eliza J Wright his wife of the first part and Austin Brockenbrough of the second part Witnesseth that the said John J Wright and Eliza J his wife for and in consideration of the Sum of One hundred and forty Seven Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Austin Brockenbrough at and before the signing and sealing this indenture the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell alien release enfeoff and confirm unto the said Austin Brockenbrough his heirs and assigns one undivided sixth part of the tenements parcels or lots of land conveyed to the said Austin Brockenbrough Robert M. Pilcher George Wright and William A Wright by Lucien B Price and Benjamin Pollard Jr: Executors of Thomas Price decd by their deed bearing date the 18th February 1839 and admitted to record

in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex on the 19th of the same month. The said George Wright having by an endorsement on the said deed bearing date the 9th of April 1840 which was duly admitted to record by the County Court of Essex on the 18th of May of the same year under his hand and seal conveyed the sixth part above named to the said John J. Wright the tenements, parcels or lots of land aforesaid being the same conveyed to the said Thomas Price decd by Thomas Pilcher and Elizabeth his wife by their deed of the 1st of December 1829 of record in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex lying partly in the Town of Tappahannock and partly beyond the limits of the said Town being the same lots or parcels of land purchased by said Pilcher of Joseph Hester and Phoebe his wife as will appear by a deed of bargain and sale of record in the Clerks Office of the said Court and dated the 18th December 1811 and of Elizabeth Yarrington as will appear by her deed of bargain and sale bearing date the 24th Day of January 1817 and of record in the Clerks Office And are set forth in said deeds to be part of the lots No. 47 49 and 50 in the Plan of said town And also that Lot or Parcel of land lying beyond the boundaries of said Town and which was conveyed to the said Price by the said Pilcher and wife by their said Deed and was derived by the said Pilcher from John Daingerfield Jr: by deed bearing date the 27th June 1824 reference to which said several deeds is made for a more particular description of the said Lots and boundaries together with the appurtenances to the said Lots belonging. To have and To hold the said one sixth part of the said Lots with the appurtenances to him the said Austin Brockenbrough his heirs and assigns. And the said John J. Wright and Eliza J his wife for themselves their heirs executors and administrators do hereby covenant and agree to and with the said Austin Brockenbrough his heirs and assigns to protect and defend the right and title of the said undivided sixth part of the said Lots with the appurtenances against the claim or demand of all and every person or persons whatever Lawfully claiming or to claim the same. In Witness Whereof the said John J. Wright and Eliza J his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written.

Jno: J. Wright
Eliza J Wright

Essex County to wit

We Richard Rowzee and Richard Motley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Jno J. Wright party to a certain deed bearing date on the 1st February 1845 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment

to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex that the said Deed may be recorded Given under our hands and seals this 1st Day of Feby: 1845

Richard Rowzee J.P.
Richard Motley

Essex County to wit,

We Richard Rowzee and Richard Motley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Eliza J Wright wife of Jno. J Wright parties to a certain Deed bearing date on the 1st of February 1845 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Eliza J Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 1st Day of February 1845

Richard Rowzee J.P.
Richard Motley

Essex County Court Clerks Office February 10th 1845

This Deed was this Day produced to me in my Office aforesaid and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
John J Wright	1	8	2	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value		Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1	$50				1

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				5.40

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
John J Wright	1	13	1	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value		Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1	$74				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
1					

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				6.59

On December 28, 1846, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/249 George Wright and Mary B. Wright gifted to his son John J. Wright 859 acres of land subject to certain retained rights and interests and to his son Benjamin E. Wright two parcels of 368 acres and 358 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 28th of December 1846 between George Wright and Mary B his wife of the County of Essex of the first part John J Wright of the same County of the second part and Benjamin E Wright of the County aforesaid of the third part Witnesseth the said George Wright being desirous to make advancements to his sons the said J. J. Wright & B. E Wright and to procure for them & each of them the means of a comfortable support for them and their families, in consideration Thereof and the natural love and affection which he bears towards his said sons, hath given granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth give grant bargain and sell unto the said John J Wright and his heirs and assigns all his the said Geo. Wright's right title claim interest and demand in and to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the said County of Essex called & Known as Springfield whereon the said John J Wright at present resides containing by estimation eight hundred and fifty nine acres be the same more or less being the land devised by the late Capt. John Jones decd to his daughter Susan F. Wright subject nevertheless to the following reservations namely the free use of the family burying ground to the said George Wright and the other children of the said Susan F. Wright decd and their descendants, the privilege of taking a sufficiency of fuel rail timber from that part of the said land contiguous to the lot called Rexburg so long as the same shall be the property of said George Wright and no longer and the said John J Wright paying on the 1st January 1848 and annually thereafter if so required by the said George Wright for and during the life of Mrs. Susan Jones, the widow of the said John Jones decd the sum of fourteen dollars and thirty six cents And the said George Wright and Mary B his wife in consideration of the premises aforesaid and the sum of one dollar to them in hand paid at and before the signing and

ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged & the said Mary B. Wright for other good and valuable considerations her thereunto moving have given granted bargained and sold & by these presents do give grant bargain and sell unto the said Benjamin E. Wright and his heirs and assigns all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County aforesaid purchased by the said George Wright of Achilles Noel Jr a particular description of which will appear by the deed of the said Achilles Noel Jr to the said Geo. Wright of record in the Clerk's office of the County Court of Essex and also all the tract or parcel of land adjoining devised by Mordecai Spindle the father of said Mary B. to her the said Mary B. Wright therein called Mary B. Spindle the 1st tract purchased of Achillis Noel Jr as aforesaid estimated to contain three hundred and sixty eight acres be the same more or less & the 2nd devised by Mordecai Spindle as aforesaid estimated to contain three hundred and fifty eight acres be the same more or less and the said George Wright for himself his heirs executors and admrs doth hereby covenant to and with the said John J. Wright and the said Benjamin E. Wright their and each of their heirs and assigns in manner and form following that is to say, that he the said Geo Wright will warrant protect and defend to the said John J. Wright such right and title in the said tract of land herein before named called Springfield as is herein and hereby conveyed being an estate for life as tenant by the curtesy against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same subject however to the reservations herein before named. And that he the said George Wright will warrant protect and defend the right and title of all the land herein & hereby conveyed to the said Benjamin E Wright against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever. And the said Benjamin E. Wright in consideration of the premises and the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said John J. Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said John J. Wright and his heirs and assigns one undevided third part of the said tract of land called Spring Field to which he the said Benjamin E. Wright as one of the heirs of his mother Susan F. Wright is entitled in reversion expectant upon the death of the said George Wright who is entitled to a life estate in and to the same as tenant by the Curtesy. To have and to hold the same to the said John J. Wright his heirs and assigns forever free from all and every claim and demand which the said Benjamin E. Wright and his heirs and assigns have or may hereafter be entitled to or have in and to the same. In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands & affixed their seals the day & year first herein written

1st Page 29th line the words	)	Geo. Wright
"rail timbers" interlined before	)	Mary B. Wright
signed 2 P 33d: the word	)	Jno J Wright
word "such" interlined before	)	B. E. Wright
before signed	)	

Essex County to wit

We Richard Rowzee & Richard Motley Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary B. Wright the wife of George Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 28th of December 1846 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us separately and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her the the said Mary B. Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same & that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 3rd day of Feby. 1847

Richard Rowzee
Richard Motley

Essex County Court Clerk's Office February 10th 1847

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the said Office by George Wright and John J Wright two of the parties to the same to be their act and deed & with the Justice's Certificate annexed as to the privy examination and acknowledgment of Mary B. Wright the wife of the said George Wright another party to the same is admitted to record as to them

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 15th 1847

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the said Office by Benjamin E Wright another party to the same to be his act and deed and admitted to record as to him

Teste
James M Matthews DC for
James Roy Micon Clk

1848 May 25th Origl Deed enclosed Mr Benj E Wright by mail to Occupa_ see order from Jno J Wright to sd B E Wright & sd B E Wrights written instruction filed in Bundle Deeds &c Mar 1847

J R M Clk"

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Jno J Wright	1	10	2	7

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches
$60			$40	

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50
1		1			

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office
	1		

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				11.79

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
John J Wright	1	14		8

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $60			1 $46	

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50
1		1			

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds
	1		

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				12.62

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
John J Wright	Essex	fee	859	Richard Motley

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
9 NW	7.00	1220.00	6013.00	6.02

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

Conveyed to you by Geo Wright & wife

This record reflects the gift of 859 acres of land in 1846 by Essex County Deed 49/249.

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
John J Wright	1	13	2	1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
2 $110				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
1		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds
	$5		

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				13.10

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
John J Wright	Essex	Fee	859	Richd Motley

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
9 NW	7.00	1500.00	6013.00	6.02

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Jno J Wright	1	15	3	8

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
2 $120				

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
1		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds
	$5	120$

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			15.91

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
John J Wright	Essex	Fee	859	Richard Motley

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 NW	7.00	1500.00	6082.00	6.02

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed John Wright with the following household on August 2, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John Wright	31	M		Physician	6000
Eliza Wright	31	F			
Susan Wright	7	F			
Robert Parker	20	M		Manager	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that John Jones Wright and Eliza J. (Noel) Wright were born in about 1819.

On January 15, 1851, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/93 John J. Wright purchased from his brother George T. Wright one-third of 859 acres of land known as Springfield:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this the 15th day of January 1851 Between George T Wright of the one part and John J Wright of the other part both of the County of Essex and State of Virginia Witnesseth that the said George T Wright for and in consideration of the several devises and bequests made to him the said George T Wright in the last Will and Testament and the Codicils thereto annexed of his father George Wright decd duly admitted to record by the County Court of Essex on the 16th day of December 1850 and also for the further consideration of the sum of Five dollars to him in hand paid by the said John J Wright at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledge, he the said George T Wright doth grant, bargain sell transfer and convey unto the said John J Wright his heirs and assigns all his the said George T Wright's right title and interest being one third of the tract of land called Springfield lying being and situate in the said County of Essex, and upon which the said John J Wright at present resides supposed to contain eight hundred and fifty nine acres it being the same land which the said George Wright the father of the said George T Wright held as tenant by the curtesy in right of his late wife Susan F Wright the mother of the said George T Wright to whom it was devised by her late father Capt. John Jones decd and which the said George Wright decd in his life time conveyed by deed of record in the Office aforesaid to his said son John J Wright, and which

conveyance he the said George Wright decd confirmed by his last Will and Testament and the said George T Wright covenants to and with the said John J Wright that he has the right to convey the interest aforesaid in the tract of land aforesaid to the said John J Wright that he the said grantee shall have quiet possession of the interest aforesaid, that he the said grantor will execute such further assurances of his interest in the said tract of land as may be requisite, and that he the said grantor will warrant generally his said interest in the tract of land herein before mentioned. Witness the following signature and Seal

Signed Sealed acknowledged) Geo: T Wright
and delivered in presence)

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 20th day of January 1851

This Deed was this day produced in Court and being acknowledged by George T Wright to be his act and deed was ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On February 2, 1852, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/228 John J. Wright, George T. Wright, and Benjamin E. Wright, as commissioners, sold to Tazewell Dunn a one-half interest in a water grist mill and a property known as Prospect Hill that had belonged to their father George Wright:

"This Deed made this 2nd day of February 1852 between John J Wright George T. Wright and Benjamin E Wright Commissioners acting by virtue of a decree in Chancery of Essex Circuit Court, of the one part, and Tazewell Dunn of the other part, all of the County of Essex and state of Virginia: Whereas by a decree of the Circuit Court of Essex County pronounced on the 15th day of November 1851 in a cause then and still depending therein between John J. Wright, George T Wright George Silas Wright Benjamin E. J. Wright and Mary Susan Wright, the three last infants who sue by the said John J. Wright their next friend Plaintiffs and Mary B. Wright and Benjamin E. Wright in his own right and as trustee for George Silas and Benjamin E. J. Wright defendants, it was among other things adjudged ordered and decreed that the parties of the first part after having previously advertised the time place and terms of sale for four weeks in some newspaper published in the City of Richmond and by advertisments posted at the front door of the Courthouse of the County of Essex, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder the tract of land in the bill and proceedings mentioned called Prospect Hill with the Mill attached, one third of the purchase money to be paid in Cash the remainder in the equal annual installments with interest from the day of sale, and whereas there is a manifest error in the

proceedings and decree in the suit aforesaid, in directing the sale of the water grist Mill attached to the said farm called Prospect Hill instead of one moiety of the said water grist Mill attached to the said farm called Prospect Hill the said farm and one half of the said water grist Mill being only the property of the late Col George Wright decd and whereas the said parties of the first part did advertise the sale of the said tract of land with one moiety of the Mill aforesaid as directed by the decree aforesaid as herein before recited and set forth, and on the 19th day of January 1852 did proceed to sell the same upon the terms herein before expressed at the Courthouse of the said County at which sale the said Tazewell Dunn became the purchaser of the said land with one moiety of the Mill attached for the sum of Five Thousand and fifty dollars he being the highest bidder therefor, and whereas the said Tazewell Dunn the purchaser has fully Complied with the terms and conditions of said sale by paying one third of the sum herein before expressed in cash and executing four bonds of equal amount for the second installment of said purchase money to bear interest from the 19th of January 1852 till paid and payable in twelve months from the day of sale, and also by executing four other bonds of like amount for the third and last installment with interest from the 19th day of January 1852 till paid and payable two years from the said day of sale, and by executing a deed of trust, on the said tract of land with one moiety of the Mill thereto attached, and whereas the said Tazewell Dunn has requested the said parties of the first part to convey to him the tittle to the said land with the one moiety of the Mill thereto attached in the said proceedings mentioned. Now therefore this Indenture witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the premises and also for the further consideration of one dollar, do grant unto the said Tazewell Dunn, the tract of land called Prospect Hill with the one moiety of the Mill attached thereto in proceedings in said suit mentioned, and the said parties of the first part covenant that they will warrant specially the property hereby conveyed Witness the following signatures and seals

The words "one moiety of" in the 4th line from the top of 2nd page interlined before signed
Signed sealed acknowledged and delivered in the presence of

Jno. J. Wright Consr
Geo T Wright Consr
B. E. Wright Consr

Essex County County Court Clerk's Office 21st February 1852 - This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by John J. Wright George T. Wright and Benjamin E Wright to be their act and deed and admitted to Record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed J. J. Wright with the following household on July 2, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
J J Wright	40	M		MD & farmer	15000
E J Wright	40	F		.	
Susan J Wright	17	F		.	
C C Hopley	30	M		Teacher	
Wm Harper	40	M		Miller	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
49253	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		1		
	England		.		
	Va		.		

This record indicates that John Jones Wright and Eliza J. (Noel) Wright were born in about 1820.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed John J Wright with the following household on July 23, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John J Wright	51	M	W	Physician	7,000
Eliza J Wright	51	F	W	keeping house	
Susan J Wright	27	F	W	without occupation	
Leroy Taylor	15	M	W	Farm laborer	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
9,550	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that John Jones Wright and Eliza J. (Noel) Wright were born in about 1819.

On July 10, 1875, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 52/850 John J. Wright and Eliza J. Wright purchased in Eliza J. Wright's name from L. D. and Josephine R. Roane 13 acres of land known as Windsor Farm:

> "This Deed made this the 10th day July 1875 between L D Roane & Josephine R his wife with John J Wright of the one part and Eliza J Wright wife of said John J Wright of the second part all of Essex County Va. Whereas John J Wright has purchased and fully paid for the land here after described, from said Roane & Wife with four thousand dollars given to the said Eliza J Wright by her late father E P Noel decd and has desired said land to be granted & conveyed to said Eliza P Wright as is shown by his signing this deed - Now therefore in consideration of the premises the said Roane & Wife do grant, sell and convey unto Eliza J Wright to be held by her as if it were maiden land that portion of the Windsor Farm lying within the following boundaries beginning at a Sycamore stump a short distance East of the Gate letting into the Overseers house on the main road leading from Tappahannock towards Loyds running north to and along a ravine and swamp along the middle thereof to the line of B B Brockenbrough then with that line to the fence which divides the Windsor house field from the rest of the farm. Thence as said fence runs to the Main Road leading from Tappahannock Towards Loyds thence with said road to the beginning - with all buildings and appurtenances thereon or thereto belonging - Also that portion of the wood land beginning at the fork of the said Main Road which leads towards Mt Zion along the last named road to the swamp which starts at what is called the house spring - thence as said swamp runs, along the middle thereof to a point Opposite Windsor house gate and from that point to the Main Road then along said Main Road to said fork road Also another parcel of wood land beginning at a small White Oak post East of the road leading through Windsor Woods from near Bundays hill gate to said Mt Zion road thence up and along said road through the woods seven hundred yards to a large oak tree thence in a straight line to the centre of the Rock Spring swamp then along the middle of said swamp to said Mt Zion road thence along said road to said small white oak the last named piece supposed to contain some thirteen acres more or less to

have and to hold the same to the said Eliza J Wright her heirs &c for ever as if it were real Estate derived by inheritance from her parents. Said Roane & Wife hereby covenant that They will warrant generally the land hereby granted Witness the following Signatures and Seals.

The word "farm" on 1st page)	L D Roane
interlined before signed. Also)	J R Roane
the interlineation on second)	Jno J Wright
on second page made before)	
signed (in the original deed))	

Virginia Essex Co to wit

I R W Daingerfield a Comr in Chy for the County of Essex in the state aforesaid do certify that L D Roane whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 10th day of July 1875 personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid & acknowledged the said writing to be his act I do further certify that Josephine R Roane the wife of L D Roane whose names are signed to the said writing personally appeared before me in my said County and being examined by me privily and apart from her said husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explaned to her, she the said Josephine R Roane acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this 10th day July 1875

R W Daingerfield Comr

Essex County Court Clerk's Office July 10th 1875

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the Certificate of a Commissioner in Chancery thereto annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1876 August 15th Received the original Deed recorded opposite hereto

J M Ganedin for
Eliza J. Wright"

The marriage record of Susan Jones Wright and Dr. J. Milton Gouldin dated on April 27, 1876, at Essex County, Virginia, listed her parents as Dr. John Jones Wright and Miss Eliza J. Noel and her age as 32, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

On November 1, 1876, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 52/1008 Eliza J. Wright gifted to J. M. Gouldin the Windsor Farm purchased by Essex County Deed 52/850 in contemplation of his marriage to her daughter Susan J. Wright:

> "This Deed made and entered into this 1st day of Novr 1876 between Eliza J Wright of the first part and J M Gouldin of the other part Witnesseth that in consideration of the marriage lately solemnized between the said Gouldin and Susan J. the only child of the grantor in this deed and of her esteem & regard for the said Gouldin, she the said Eliza J Wright doth grant unto the said Gouldin with general warranty that tract or parcel of land, part of the Windsor farm, conveyed by deed from L. D. Roane & Josaphine R. his wife and John J. Wright to Eliza J Wright, by deed dated July 10th 1875 & duly recorded in the Clerks Office of Essex County onthe same day to which reference is hereby made for the metes and bounds of said land and which is supposed to contain four hundred acres with all rights privileges and appurtenances Witness the following signatures and seal
>
> Eliza J. Wright
>
> Virginia, Essex County to wit
>
> I H. W. Daingerfield a commr in chancery for Essex Court, do hereby certify that Eliza J Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date Nov. 1st 1876 has acknowledged the same before me in my court aforesaid. Given under my hand this 1st day Nov. 1876
>
> H. W. Daingerfield Com
>
> Essex County Court Clerks Office November 1st 1876
>
> This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the certificate of a Commissioner in Chancery thereto annexed admitted to record
>
> Teste"

On November 1, 1876, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 52/1009 Eliza J. Wright, J. M. Gouldin, and Susan J. Gouldin sold to Thomas Croxton the 859 acres of land known as Springfield and which had been owned by John J. Wright at his death:

> "This Deed made and entered into this 1st day of November 1876 between J. M. Gouldin and Susan J. his wife and Eliza J Wright of the first part and Thomas Croxton of the other part all of Essex County, witnesseth that in consideration of six thousand dollars cash paid the grantors by the grantee in this deed the said grantors do grant sell and convey unto the said grantee with general warranty the

tract of land lying in Essex Co Va called Springfield of which John J. Wright died siezed, adjoining the lands of Jno. R. Motley the lands of the late Jno. S Rouzie and others, estimated to contain eight hundred and fifty nine acres with all buildings appurtenances and improvements Witness the following signatures and seals

J. M. Gouldin
Susan J. Gouldin
Eliza J Wright

Virginia Essex Co. to wit:-

I H W Daingerfield, a commr in chy for Essex Co. Va do certify that Eliza J wright and J. M. Gouldin whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date Novr 1st 1876 have acknowledged the same before me in my county aforesaid - I do further certify that Susan J. Gouldin the wife of J. M. Gouldin whose name is likewise signed to the said writing, personally appeared before me in my said Co. & being examined by me privily & apart from her said husband & having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Susan J Gouldin acknowledged the said writing to be her act & declared she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it. Given under my hand this 1st day November 1876.

H. W. Daingerfield Com

Essex County Court Clerks Office November 1st 1876

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the Certificate of a Notary Public annexed admitted to record

Teste"

Essex County Deeds 52/850 and 52/1009 indicate that John Jones Wright died between July 10, 1875, and November 1, 1876.

On November 1, 1876, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 52/1010 Thomas and Louisiana Croxton reconveyed to Eliza J. Wright for her life and to Susan J. Wright as to a remainder interest the tract of land known as Springfield:

"This Deed made & entered into this 1st day of Nov 1876 between Thos. Croxton and Louisiana his wife of the one part and Eliza J. Wright and Susan J. Gouldin of the other part, all of Essex Co Va Witnesseth that in consideration of six thousand dollars cash paid the said Croxton & wife by Eliza J. Wright the said Croxton and wife do grant sell and convey unto the said Eliza J. Wright the tract of land called Springfield conveyed to T. Croxton by deed of this date executed

by Eliza J. Wright J. M. Gouldin and Susan J Gouldin, with special warranty to have and to hold the same to the said Eliza J Wright for and during her life and at her death to pass to such person or persons as Susan J Gouldin may convey it to by deed or will, which she is authorized hereby to do as if she were unmarried, the object and intention of this deed being to vest a life estate in Eliza J. Wright and to vest in Susan J. Gouldin, wife of J. M. Gouldin and only child of Eliza J. Wright full power to dispose of the remainder to all intents and purposes as if she were a "feme sole" - to which the said Eliza J Wright assents as is shown by her signing and acknowledging this deed - Witness the following signatures and seals

Thos Croxton
L. Croxton
Eliza J. Wright

Virginia Essex County to wit,

I H. W Daingerfield a comr in chancery for Essex Co. Va do certify that T. Croxton and Eliza J Wright whose names are signed to the writing on the opposite page dated Novr 1st 1876 have acknowledged the same before me in my county aforesaid - I do further certify that L Croxton wife of T. Croxton whose name is likewise signed to said writing personally appeared before me in my court aforesaid and being examined by me privily and apart from her said husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said L. Croxton acknowledged the same to be her act and declared she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it Given under my hand this 1st day of Novr 1876 -

H. W Daingerfield Comr

Essex County Court Clerks Office November 1st 1876

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the certificate of a commissioner in Chancery thereto annexed admmitted to record

Teste"

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Eliza Wright with the following household on June 22, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Eliza Wright	W	F	56		.
Francis Henshall	W	F	65		Sister
Susan Goldin	W	F	30		Daughter
John M Goldin	W	M	1		Grd Son

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
W		Keeping House		
W		Boarder		
W		Boarder		
.		At Home		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

This record indicates that Eliza J. (Noel) Wright was born in about 1824.

On February 20, 1889, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 55/371 E. J. Wright sold to Martha Bundy 6 acres of land:

> "This deed made this 20" day of February 1889 between E. J Wright of the County of Essex State of Virginia of the 1st part and Martha Bundy of the same County and State of the 2nd part, Witnesseth: that for the sum of forty two dollars, the rect whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said E. J Wright do grant unto the said Martha Bundy a tract or parcel of land in Essex County Virginia, Containing six (6) acres, be the same more or less and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake a new cr: to the parties & running thence 17 W 10 chains to a dogwood cr: to same, thence N 85 W 6 chains to a stake Cr. to same, thence W 17 E 10 chains to a small sweet gum, thence S 85 E 6 chains to a stake Cr. to same, thence W 17 E 10 chains to a small sweet gun, thence S 85 E 6 chains to the beginning and the said E. J. Wright do hereby warrant the right & title to the aforesaid six (6) acres of land generally. Witness the following signature & seal.
>
> E. J. Wright

State of Virginia
County of Essex To wit:

I John H. Kidd for the County aforesaid State of Virginia do certify that E. J Wright whose name is signed to the writing above, bearing date on the 20" day of February 1889 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 20 day of February 1889.

J. N. Kidd J.P.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office. March 6 1889. This deed was presented and with the certificate annexed, admitted to record at 2.30 O'clock P.M.

Teste,
H. Southworth Clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha Bundy as married, black, and born in February 1862 in Virginia.

On February 20, 1889, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 55/372 Eliza J. Wright sold to James R. Bundy 16½ acres of land:

"This deed made this 20th day of February 1889 between Mrs. Eliza J Wright of the County of Essex State of Virginia of the 1st part & James R Bundy of the same county & state of the 2nd part, Witnesseth that the said Eliza J Wright in consideration of the sum of one hundred and fifteen dollars & 80/100 the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, doth hereby grant unto the said James R Bundy a tract of land in Essex County Va near Rexburg containing 16½ acres more or less and bounded as follows: viz:

Beginning at a dogwood cr to Mrs Wright & Ellen Bundy & running thence S 17 W 16½ chains to a cr to Jno R Motley, thence S 88½ E 4 chs 30 lks, to a poplar cr to same, thence N 57 E 2 chs 75 lks to a gum cr to same, thence N 19½ E 2 chs 50 lks to a stake cr to same thence N 13½ E 4 chs 43 lks to a pine cr to same, thence N 18¾ E 1 chn 82 lks to three sweet gums cr to Motley thence N 14 E 6 chs 90 lks to a white oak cr to Jno. Kidd, thence N 35 E 2 chs 40 lks to a red oak cr to same, thence N 49½ E 2 chs, 20 lks to a red oak cr. to Kidd thence N 80 E 1 chn, 50 lks to a stake cr to Brown, thence N 26 E 2 chs, 25 lks to a stake cr to Brown, thence N 37 E 1 chn, 75 lks to a stake cr to Brown, thence N 80 W 9 chs to a cr to Ellen Bundy & Mrs E J Wright, thence 17½ W 20 chains to the beginning. And the said Mrs Eliza J Wright doth hereby warrant the right & title to the above described tract of land generally.

Witness the following signatures & seal

Eliza J Wright

X 4 pole chains

State of Virginia
County of Essex To wit:

I J H Kidd a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Essex in the State of Virginia do certify that Eliza J Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date on the 20 day of February 1889 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 20 day of February 1889.

J H. Kidd J.P.

Virginia. In Essex County Court Clerk's office March 6" 1889

This deed was presented, and with the certificate annexed, admitted to record at 2.30 O'clock P.M.

Teste
H Southworth Clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed James R. Bundy as black, married, and born in October 1858 in Virginia.

On August 15, 1890, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 56/94 Eliza J. Wright sold to Washington Blake 28 acres of land:

"This deed made this 15" day of August 1890 between Eliza J Wright of the first part and Washington Blake of the second part, both of Essex Co. Va. Witnesseth: that in consideration of one hundred and ninety six dollars the said Wright doth grant unto said Blake with general warranty twenty eight acres of land lying near Rexburg in Essex County, bounded by the main road leading from Rexburg towards Springfield the residence of said Wright, the land of Edmund Wood, the land in which the colored church stands near Rexburg and the land of said Wright, north of said main road. But said Wright retains a lien on the said land to secure one hundred and forty one dollars due on same to her by bond. The release of said bond to said Blake will evidence the satisfaction of the lien. Witness the following signature and seal the day & year first herein named.

Eliza J. Wright

Virginia
Essex Co: To wit:

I Jno. N. Kidd a Justice of the Peace for Essex Co: Va do certify that Eliza J Wright whose name is signed to the above deed has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 13" day of August 1890.

J. H. Kidd J.P.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's office September 15" 1890.

This deed was presented and with the certificate annexed, admitted to record at 11 O'clock A.M.

Teste
H Southworth clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Washington Blake as black, married, and born in September 1829 in Virginia.

On August 15, 1890, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 56/120 Eliza J. Wright sold to Albert Stewart 7 acres of land:

"This deed made this 15' day of August 1890, between Eliza J Wright and Albert Stewart, both of Essex Co. Va Witnesseth: that in consideration of forty nine dollars paid her, the said Wright doth grant with general warranty to said Stewart, Seven acres of land, part of the Springfield tract owned by said Wright, lying north of the road leading from Rexburg towards Springfield adjoining the land this day granted Winney Stewart by said Wright by deed, to be cut off from the Springfield tract to the best advantage for same.

Witness the following signature & seal the day & year first herein named.

Eliza J. Wright

Virginia: Essex Co. To wit:

I J H Kidd a Justice of the Peace for the County of Essex Va. do certify that E. J. Wright whose name is signed to the deed above has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 13" day of August 1890.

J. H Kidd J.P.

Virginia:

In Essex County Court Clerk's office. November 17" 1890. This deed was presented and with the certificate made & admitted to record at 12 O'Clock M

Teste,
H Southworth Clerk."

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Albert Stewart as black, married, and born in October 1855 in Virginia.

On August 15, 1890, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 56/393 Eliza J. Wright sold to Winny Stewart 7 acres of land:

"This deed made this 15 day of August 1890 between Eliza J Wright and Winny Stewart, both of Essex Co Va, Witnesseth: that in consideration of forty nine dollars paid, the said Wright doth grant unto said Stewart, with general warranty, seven acres of land, part of the "Springfield" tract lying north of the road leading from Rexburg towards Springfield adjoining the lands this day granted Washington Blake by said Wright by deed - to be cut off from the Springfield tract to the best advantage next to the land of said Blake - Witness the following signature and seal the day & year first herein signed.

Eliza J. Wright

Virginia: Essex Co. to wit:

I Jno H Kidd a justice of the peace for the County of Essex Va do certify that E. J. Wright whose name is signed to the above deed has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 13" day of August 1890.

J. H. Kidd J.P.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's office February 15" 1892

This deed was presented and with the certificate annexed admitted to record at 1 Oclock PM

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, did not list Winnie Stewart, but the 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Winnie Stewart as black, widowed, and born in about 1840 in Virginia, and with Albert Stewart in her household.

On February 6, 1892, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 57/367 Eliza J. Wright sold to Amanda Wood 15 acres of land:

> "This deed made this 6" day of February 1892, between Eliza J. Wright and Amanda Wood, both of Essex Co Va, witnesseth, that, in Consideration of the sum of One hundred and five dollars paid by said Wood to said Wright she doth grant unto her the land on which she resides, part of the Springfield tract, containing fifteen acres bounded as follows: on the north by E. J. Wright, on the East by the tracts of Arthur Gaines and Washington Blake, on the south by the tract of Winny Stewart, on the West by E. J. Wright, And the said Wright warrants generally said land and an outlet to the public road twenty feet wide, joining and parallel to the line where E. J. Wright's land joins Arthur Gaines. Witness the following signature & seal.
>
> E. J. Wright
>
> Virginia: Essex Co, to wit:
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> I, J. H. Kidd a Justice of the Peace for Essex Co. Va do certify that E. J. Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date on 6" of Feby 1892 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my this 6" day of Feby 1892.
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> J. H. Kidd J.P.
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> Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office June 23" 1894
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> This deed was presented and with the Certificate annexed, admitted to record at 8 O'clock A.M.
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> Teste: H. Southworth Clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Amanda Wood as black, married, and born in July 1834 in Virginia.

On January 15, 1895, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 57/475 Eliza J. Wright sold to Nessie Fauntleroy 5 acres of land:

> "This deed made this 15 day of January 1895, between Eliza J Wright and Nessie Fauntleroy, witnesseth, that said Eliza J. Wright conveys to said Nessie

Fauntleroy, for value of money ($35) received, five acres of her land in Springfield farm, the said five acres joining Jim Bunday and Ellen Bunday. Witness the following signature and seal the day and date aforesaid.

Eliza J. Wright

Essex County to wit:

I J. H. Kidd a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Eliza J Wright whose name is signed to the writing within bearing date on the 15 day of January 1895, acknowledged the same before me in my county aforesaid. Given under my hand this 15" day of January 1895.

J. H. Kidd J.P.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerks Office January 23" 1895

This deed was presented and with the Certificate annexed admitted to record, at 10 oclock A.M.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Nessie Fauntleroy as black, widowed, and born in April 1860 in Virginia.

On January 15, 1895, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 57/476 Eliza J. Wright sold to her sister Susan M. N. Lewis all of her interest in the estate of her deceased sister Frances N. Henshall:

"This deed made this 15" day of January 1895 between Eliza J. Wright and her Sister Susan M. N. Lewis, witnesseth that the said Eliza J. Wright doth grant & convey to said Susan M. N. Lewis all of her interest in the estate of her deceased sister Frances N. Henshall, for thirty dollars ($30), the said estate situated in Holmes County Mississippie. Witness the following signature & seal the day & date aforesaid.

Eliza J. Wright

Essex County, to wit:

I J. H. Kidd a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do certify that Eliza J. Wright, whose name is signed to the writing within

bearing date on the 15' day of January 1895, acknowledged the name before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 15" day of January 1895

J. H. Kidd J.P.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office January 23" 1895

This deed was presented and with the Certificate annexed, admitted to record at 10 oclock AM.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk"

On January 15, 1895, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 57/489 Eliza J. Wright sold to Sarah Robinson 5 acres of land:

"This deed made this 15" day of January 1895 between Eliza J. Wright and Sarah Robinson, Witnesseth, that said Eliza J. Wright, conveys to said Sarah Robinson, for money ($35) rec'd five acres of her land in Springfield farm, the said five acres joining Jim Bunday and Albert Stewart. Witness the following signature and seal the day & date aforesaid.

Eliza J. Wright

Essex County, to wit:

I, J. H. Kidd a Justice of the peace for the County affoursaid in the State of Virginia do Certify that Eliza J. Wright whose name is signed to the writing within bearing date on the 15" day of January 1895, acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 15" day of January 1895.

J. H. Kidd J.P.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office February 18" 1895.

This deed was presented and with the certificate annexed, admitted to record at 12 O'clock M.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Sarah Robinson as black, widowed, and born in May 1860 in Virginia.

This series of deeds of small parcels of property to various blacks appears to indicate a program to give economic security to people who may have been former slaves of the family or members of their families.

The will of Eliza J. Wright was dated on September 8, 1894, probated on March 18, 1895, of Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/879, and provided as follows:

> "I Eliza J. Wright of Springfield, Essex County, Virginia. make this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills made by me. I give my real estate known as Springfield in equal parts to my grand children Bessie W Rosler and J. Milton Gouldin for the purpose of securing a home to each of them. In case of the death of Bessie without lawful issue, I give her part to J. Milton.
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> I give my personal estate of every kind to my grand children Bessie and J. Milton in equal parts. Witness my hand and seal this 8" day of September Eighteen hundred and ninety four.
>
> Teste E. J. Wright
> 1 John R. Rouzie
> 2 D. A. Motley
>
> Both present where Mrs E. J. Wright acknowledged the above as her will.
>
> Virginia: In Essex County Court March 18" 1895.
>
> This last Will and testament of Eliza J. Wright, late of this county deceased was this day fully proved by the oaths of John R. Rouzie and D. A. Motley subscribing witnesses thereto, and was thereupon ordered to be recorded. And there being no executor named in the said will, on the motion of D. A. Motley who made oath as the law directs, and entered into a bond in the penalty of $600.00 conditioned according to law with John H. Kidd his surety therein (who justified on oath as to his sufficiency which said bond being acknowledged by the obligors therein is ordered to be recorded; certificate is granted the said D. A. Motley for obtaining letters of administration on the said decedents estate with the will aforesaid annexed in due form.
>
> Teste:
> H. Southworth clerk"

On May 28, 1895, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/887 the inventory and appraisement of the estate of Eliza J. Wright dated March 28, 1895, was filed:

> "Inventory and an appraisement of the personal estate of Eliza J. Wright deceased made this 28" day of March 1875, by the undersigned appraisers.

Articles	Amount
2 Cracked Pitchers	.02
1 White "	.05
2 small Glass preserve stands	.10
1 Set Casters	1.00
1 Covered Turene	.75
10 Breakfast plates	.75
3 Pickle dishes	.30
2 Cake plates	.40
2 " "	.30
3 Small dishes	.10
1 Slaw dish	.15
1 Tea pot	.50
1 Sugar Dish	.25
1 Small Bowl	.10
1 Molasses Jar	.15
8 Saucers & 1 cup	.12
1 Glass preserve dish	.15
1 " sugar "	.10
2 Celery stands	.25
1 Glass Butter "	.25
1 " Pickle "	.15
6 Goblets	.20
3 salt Stands	.10
1 Glass Water pitcher	.15
1 Pickle Dish	.08
1 Glass Cream Pitcher	.05
1 " Fruit stand	.25
	6.82
1 Brown Tea Pot	.15
1 Glass Sugar Dish	.05
1 Milk strainer	.08
1 Tin Bucket	.08
1 Coffee pot stand	.05
1 Tin Cup	.02
2 Waiters	.05
2 Tin plates	.02
1 oval dish	.10
1 square Dish	.20
1 Cracked "	.03
3 small "	.20
2 meat "	.10
6 Dinner plates	.25
4 small "	.15
6 Knives & 2 forks	.35

1 Coffee pot	.03
3 Covered dishes	.35
1 oval vegetable dish	.15
1 small Stone Jar	.05
1 yellow pie plate	.05
2 small Bowls	.05
1 extra Dish cover	.01
1 Sausage Cutter	1.00
2 large Milk pans	.15
1 " white Bowl	.15
1 Brown Crock	.06
1 white cream pitcher	.10
1 " cracked "	.03
3 Tin plates	.03
1 oval Bucket	.03
2 1 Gal tin buckets	.20
1 1 " " "	.10
	11.29
1 1/2 Gal " "	.05
1 Bucket & Lard	.75
6 Fruit Jars qt	.30
1 Stone Jug 3 qt	.10
3 Fruit Jars 1/2 Gal	.2_
1 Stone Jug & vinegar	.2_
2 Large Bottles	.2_
2 Tin Tea pots	.02
1 Yellow Bake pans & contents	.03
1 Dinner bell	.05
1 Crumb Brush	.10
6 Dining chairs	1.00
1 small table & cloth	.20
1 Damask " "	.50
1 Dining " " oil cloth	2.50
1 cupboard Glass front	2.50
1 " closed "	1.50
1 Tin safe	.75
1 Milk press	.25
1 Fire dog & Tongs	.10
1 cook stove & fixtures	6.00
1 coal scuttle & ash shovel	.05
1 Water Bucket	.05
1 Slop Bucket and wash pan	.03
1 Meal Sifter	.02
3 old pans & cullander	.10
1 Glass Jar	.01

1 qt can	.01
1 Rolling pin Cutter & board	.05
1 Piggin & bottles	.05
1 Frying pan	.08
1 cracked Jar and Table	.02
1 Basting spoon	.02
1 Stone Jar	.l5
	29.23
1 Churn	.75
2 Coffee mits	.25
1 Large Box	.25
3 Lard Jars	.50
2 small boxes & contents	.25
1 square box	.25
1 wood saw	.05
4 Broken chairs	.05
1 Foot pan & hoe	.02
1 Lot Books	2.00
1 Candle stand & fenders	.05
1 Table	.50
1 small Lamp	.15
1 Towel rack	.02
2 Chairs	.05
1 Pr Blankets dark	.50
1 Pr Blankets Light	.75
1 Straw Tick	.10
1 Bed Stead	.75
1 Writing desk and Contents	.25
1 Box books & bottles	.10
1 Brass fenders	.05
1 Hand satchel	.02
1 Coal Stove	.50
4 Flour Bbls	.35
2 Demijons	.20
1 sugar box & contents	.25
1 steak chopper	.05
1 Wash boiler & Contents	.25
2 Stove Brushes & plate	.05
1 Tea Scale	.25
1 Chamber	.10
1 Old trunk	.10
	38.99
1 Table	.05
1 Wash Bowl	.10
1 oil can	.05

1 pr blankets	.75
1 " Pillows	.50
1 single feather bed	5.00
1 Hair top mattress	.50
1 Single bedstead	.25
1 pr fire dogs	.15
1 Candle Stand	.15
1 Leather trunk	2.00
1 Marble base lamp	.25
1 Mahog. Bureau	4.00
1 Wash stand	.75
1 Work box	.10
1 Box papers	.03
1 pr sheets	.75
1 Pillow	.25
1 Wirefinder	.10
1 Carpet	1.00
1 Lot matting	.50
2 Druggest pestles	.05
1 Cupboard & Contents	.50
1 Wash bowl & pitcher	.30
1 Tea Tray	.05
1 Box & contents	.15
1 wash stand	1.50
1 wash bowl & pitcher	.35
1 slop bucket	.10
1 pr Fire dogs & Tongs	.05
1 Bureau	4.00
3 chairs	.50
1 sewing machine	1.50
	65.27
1 Table	.25
1 curtain for cord	.10
1 pr pillows	.50
1 pillow & case	.25
1 Bolster	.75
1 Bed Stead	8.00
1 Lot matting	.25
3 white Curtains	.05
1 pr fire dogs	.10
1 Brass fender	.25
2 Rugs	.15
1 wood box	.05
1 Bureau	3.50
1 Wash Stand, marble top	2.50

1 wash bowl & Soap stand	.10
1 Chair	.20
1 shuck mattress	.50
1 Bed stead	1.00
1 chamber	.20
1 wash bowl, pitcher & soap stand	.35
1 wash stand	2.00
1 pr fire dogs & Tongs	.10
1 Tea Kettle & Trivet	.25
1 Lamp Brown base	.35
1 pr vases	.05
1 Big clock	.25
1 small "	.25
1 Lamp shade	.03
1 Basket & contents	.10
1 Glass decanter	.25
1 pr Easels	.05
2 Sugar buckets	.15
1 Bucket & paper box	.05
	88.20
1 Tea Box	.03
1 Wardrobe no/	7.50
1 Broom	.10
1 Table & cover	1.00
11 Silver spoons assorted	3.50
1 lot old silver spoons	2.50
1 Butter Knife	.50
1 Silver soup Ladle	2.00
1 " "	.10
13 Plated forks	3.00
1 carving fork	.05
1 Round Table	.10
1 Fancy Lamp	.25
1 Clothes Brush & Comb	.15
1 Bureau	4.00
1 Wardrobe #2	5.00
1/2 Doz Napkins	.25
5 Towels	.35
1 Dark spread small	.10
1 Bed quilt	.15
1 pr Blankets Light	.75
1 " " white	2.00
1 Bolster & Case	1.00
3 sheets	.75
1 Mattress	.50

1 Feather Bed	6.00
1 pr Sheets	.75
1 " Blankets	.25
1 " "	.25
1 Bed quilt	.75
1 " spread	.37
1 Rocking chair	.50
1 pr small flag chairs	.30
	133.00
2 large Flag chairs	.50
1 Rug	.15
1 Carpet	1.50
1 Buggy blanket	.25
1 Hat rack & chair	.25
1 pr spring balances	.25
1 Water Bucket & dipper	.25
5 Cane seat fancy chairs	1.00
6 " " Wal "	2.00
1 " " Rocking "	.75
1 Cushioned " "	2.50
1 Flat seat	.75
1 wal. Table ext leaf	1.00
1 Plain back Sofa	4.00
1 Lamp shade	.10
1 Physicians Instrument	1.00
1 Marble top table	2.00
2 ottomans	2.00
1 Candle Stand	.75
1 Marble top table	2.00
1 Fancy back Sofa	2.00
1 Lot Books	5.00
1 Book case	15.00
2 Rugs	.25
1 Spittoon	.15
1 Lock	.20
4 Mols Bbls	1.00
1 " " & Vinegar	2.00
1 Large tub	.25
1 Salt Bbl & Contents	.15
1 Box & coal	.25
3 Hams	4.50
2 Sides	3.00
	187.75
1 Shoulder	1.25
1 Lot salt pork	3.50

3 Fish Bbls	.15
1 Meat "	.25
1 Molasses "	.20
1 O.K. Measure	.15
1 Bbl & Salt	.10
1 Ash oven	.10
1 Bed & Pillow	5.00
1 Box & Contents	.10
1 pr fire dogs	.05
1 Brass Kettle & pan	.10
1 Table	.10
1 Box	.10
1 Axe	.40
1 Iron pot	.10
1 scale Beam	.25
2 Setts Plow Harness	1.25
1 Top Buggy	5.00
1 Carriage & pole	5.00
1 set Carriage Harness	1.00
1 " Wagon traces	.75
1 Dog Cart	18.00
1 Horse Collar	1.00
1 Single Harrow	.25
1 No 5. Plow	.75
1 " 7 "	.75
1 spade	.25
1 Coulter Harrow	.50
1 Dble Rake	.75
1 No 5 Plow	.75
1 " 7 Broken Plow	.15
2 Bull Tongues	.20
	238.00
3 Coulter plows	.15
1 Guano crusher	.50
1 Briar Hooks	.25
2 Tripple bars	.25
1 ox yoke	.20
2 Dble bars	.50
1 ox cart	5.00
1 wheat drill	1.50
2 old yokes	.25
1 4 pg fork	.25
1 Grub hoe & shovel	.15
1 Horse Collar	.20
1 Corn Sheller	1.50

1 1/2 Bus Measure	.50
1 Lot pea hulls	.25
1 " Corn	40.00
1 Hay Dray	1.50
1 Lot fodder	10.00
1 Cord shucks	2.25
1 Grain shovel	.50
1 Rake	.05
1 Grass blade	.75
1 Gal measure	.05
1 Reaper rake	.10
6 sheep & 5 lambs	12.00
1 Cow Dilsey	1.00
1 " & calf Cherry	12.00
1 " " " Molly	12.00
1 " Buffalo Red	9.00
1 " " small	8.00
1 yoke oxen	30.00
1 Bay Horse __	40.00
1 " Mare	35.00
	463.65
1 sorrel Horse	50.00
1 sow	8.00
2 young hogs	8.00
10 chickens	2.50
1 pr Blinds (narrow)	.10
4 " "	2.00
Total appraised value	$534.25

R. A. Mundie)
L. H. Beazley) Appraisers
J T. Kidd)

Essex County to wit:

I, J. H. Kidd a Justice of the peace, do certify that R. A. Mundie L. H. Beazley & J. T. Kidd his day made oath before me that they would well and truly appraise such goods and chattels of Mrs E. J. Wright Dec. as may be produced to them. Given under my hand this 28" day of March 1895.

J. H. Kidd J.P.

State of Virginia)
County of Essex) to wit:

I, E M. Ware comr of accts for the county court of Essex County do certify that I have examined the foregoing appraisement of the personal estate of Eliza J Wright decd. and found the same correct. Given under my hand this 27" day of May 1895.

E. M. Ware Comr.

Virginia In Essex County Court Clerk's office May 28" 1895

This appraisement was this day returned by the Commissioner of accounts of the County Court of said County, and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

On September 28, 1900, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 60/227 a partition of the land of Eliza J. Wright between her two grandchildren was filed:

"The undersigned special commissioners appointed by a decree of the circuit court of Essex county rendered on the 9th day of March 1900 in the chancery cause of Gouldin vs: Rosler therein depending and directed to make partition of the farm known as "Springfield" of Eliza J. Wright died seized and possessed between J. Milton Gouldin and Bessie W. Rosler the devisees under her will respectfully report that on the 4th day of May 1900 they went upon the said land and after being first duly sworn proceeded to make partition according to the decree. They found that it was unnecessary to employ a surveyor as the land was so situated and divided by the road as to make it practicable to make partition without a survey. They assigned to Bessie W. Rosler all the land on the North & East side of the road leading from Rexburg by Shop Hill to Battery which embraces all the buildings, and they assigned to J Milton Gouldin all the residue which embraces all the land on the South side of the road leading from Rexburg to Shop Hill and on the West side of the road leading from Shop Hill to Battery. All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. P. Wright)
Jas A Rouzie)
D. A. Motley) Commissioners
J. H. Kidd)
Geo W. Ellis)

Virginia In the Circuit Court of Essex County September 4" 1900.

Gouldin
against
Rosler

This cause came on this day to be again heard upon the papers formerly read and the report of Commissioners B. P. Wright, Jas A. Rouzie, D. A. Motley, J. H. Kidd and Geo W. Ellis (this day filed) who by a decree rendered in this cause on the 9th day of March 1900 were directed to make partition of the farm called Springfield in the bill and proceedings mentioned between J. Milton Gouldin and Bessie W. Rosler and was argued by counsel. On consideration whereof the court doth confirm said report and make the same firm and binding on both the parties to this suit confirming the allotment to Bessie W. Rosler of all the land on the North & East side of the public road leading from Rexburg by Shop Hill to Battery which embraces all the buildings and to J. Milton Gouldin all of the residue which embraces all the land on the South side of the road leading from Rexburg to Shop Hill and on the West side of the road leading from Shop Hill to Battery The court doth further allow to Thomas E. Blakey plaintiffs attorney a fee of Thirty dollars and doth adjudge that the said fee as well as cost of this suit including a fee of one dollar each to each of commissioners B. P. Wright, Jas A. Rouzie, D. A. Motley, J. H. Kidd & Geo W. Ellis be and constitute a charge against the entire property; the court doth further direct that the clerk of this court shall transmit to the clerk of the county court of Essex the order of partition, the report of commissioners and the decree of confirmation to be by him recorded as the law directs; and all the matters in controversy having been adjudicated and determined it is ordered that this cause shall be stricken from the docket.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerks office September 28" 1900. This copy of partition and the order confirming the same was this day received from the clerk of the circuit court of said county and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated John Jones Wright was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and Susan F. (Jones) Wright, married Eliza J. Noel in 1842, that Eliza J. (Noel) Wright was of Painfield, and that John Jones Wright and Eliza J. (Noel) Wright had the following child:

1) Susan Jones (Wright) (Gouldin) Rosler.

iii. 1871 George Thomas Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Maria R. S. (Branham) Wright, And His Descendants

1871 George Thomas Wright of Essex County was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and Susan F. (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1850 George[4])

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
. . . .
Births
. . . .
George Thomas 6th October 1821
. . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of George Thomas Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Marriages

George T Wright and Maria R S Branham were married by the Rev John P M G____ of this Episcopal Church in Tappahannock the 1st of April 1851

Births

George T Wright 6th Octo 1821
M. R. S. Wright 2d March 1829
P. Selden Wright 4th March 1852
Richard B Wright 13th April 1854
George Thomas Wright Jr. 7th Oct 1855
Hannah Esatela Branham 27th July 1834

Obituary

Died at the Hot Springs, on the 28th of September, Mrs. MARIA R. S., wife of Mr. George T Wright of Tappahannock in the 29th year of her age.

Heavily, indeed, has this blow fallen and many are the hearts stricken in her early death. The hand that pens this feeble tribute to her worth, has often met hers in the warm clasp of friendship; and relunctantly, yet with sad pleasure, does it render this last office of affection: The first of August she left her home, with the hope of finding at the Red Sweet Springs, relief from a disease, that for months had wasted her strength, but on reaching the Hot Springs she was unable to proceed further. Day by day she faded, until after eight weeks of intense solicitude the conviction forced itself on those who watched the alternations of her case, that not all the skill of her kind physicians, quickened by the deepest interest in herself, nor the agonized tears and prayers of breaking hearts might avail. God, in His wisdom, saw fit to take her to Himself, from the domestic circle of which she life and centre, and from the friends for whom life has now one joy the less. Far from the hallowed scenes of home her spirit took its flight, but her dear ones were with her, all but the youngest little one, who came too late to receive a mother's last kiss, and the manifestations of affectionate interest which had brightened all the scene of suffering breathed their soothing influence round her to the last Even in the stranger's heart she found a place, and strangers wept for the young wife and mother who had awakened so deep a sympathy in their midst. Unmurmuring and submissive throughout her painful and protracted sickness she met death with clear and unclouded mind, and with a serene composure that can only be theirs, we believe, who feel beneath them "the everlasting arms.

. . . .

Obituary

Died, at the residence of his father, in Tappahannock, on the 8th inst. Philip Selden Wright, eldest son of George T. Wright, member of the House of Delegates from the counties of Essex and King and Queen, aged 11 years, 6 months and four days

. . . .

Deaths

In Norfok Va of Yellow Fever on the 9th Sept 1855 Dr. P Claiborn (?) Gooch of Richmond Virginia in the 0th year of his age

In Tappahannock Essex Co Va Geo Thomas youngest child of Geo T & Maria R S Wright 18th Feb 1856. aged 4 months and eleven days

Died at the Hot Springs Va on the 28th of September 1856, [1858?] Mrs M. R. S. Wright in the 29th year of her age

Died at Anfield Henrico County Va. the 10th of July 1857 Miss H Isabella Branham in the 23d year of her age

Died in Tappahannock on the 8th of August 1863 Philip Selden Wright son Geo T Wright & Maria R S Wright, aged 11 years 6 months 14 days

In Tappahannock 28th June 1868, Mrs. Lucy A Branham aged 79 years

George T Wright United himself with Ephesus Baptist Church in the County of Essex state of Virginia on the 25th of August 1869 and was Baptised by Rev A Frances Scott the 26th day of Aug 1869

Deaths

Died at the residence of Dr. Wm G. Jeffries, in the county of Essex, on Friday the 31st of March 1871 Geo T. Wright, in the 50th year of his age.

Died at Pilot Point Texas on Lord's day June 8th 1879. Richard Barnes Wright in the 26th year of his age son of George T. Wright & Maria R. S. Wright."

This record indicates that George Thomas Wright was born on October 6, 1821, married Maria R. S. Branham on April 1, 1851, in Tappahannock, Essex County, Virginia, was a member of the Virginia House of Delegates, and died on March 31, 1871, in Essex County, Virginia, that Maria R. S. (Branham) Wright was born on March 2, 1829, and died on September 28, 1856 or 1858, in Hot Springs, Bath County, Virginia, and that George Thomas Wright and Maria R. S. (Branham) Wright had the following children:

1) Philip Selden Wright, born on March 4, 1852,
2) Richard Barnes Wright, born on April 13, 1854, and
3) George Thomas Wright, Jr., born on October 7, 1856.

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Dr. John Jones Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which provided as follows with regard to his family:

"Family Record
Marriages
. . . .
Geo. T. Wright and Maria R. S. Wright (who before married was M. R. S Branham were married by the Rev. John P. McGuire in St. John's Church Tappahannock on the 1st day April 1851
. . . .

Births

. . . .

Philip Selden Wright son of Geo T & M. R S Wright born 4th day of March 1852

. . . .

Richard Barnes Wright Second son of Geo. T. Wright Born the 13th of April 1854

. . . .

Geo. T. Wright 1 Oct 1821

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Philip Selden Wright oldest son of Geo F Wright died of Typhoid Depating the 8th day of August 1863 aged 11 years 1 month and 4 days leaving an only brother, and a deeply afflicted father to mourn their loss

Baptisms

George Wright at Beverly's Mill by Rev Thos ____ 22d April 1822

. . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Benjamin Erasmus Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mrs. Lucy Hunter Cardwell of Lynchburg, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
Births

. . . .

George T. Wright born the 6th October 1821

. . . .

Marriages

. . . .

George T. Wright was married to Maria R S Branham 1th April 1851

. . . .

Philip Selden Wright son of Geo T Wright and Maria R S Wright - Born at Lawnview noon 4th of March 1852

Richard B. Wright second son of Geo. T. and Maria R. S. Wright - Born at Shelba Essex County on the 13th April 1854.

. . . .

Geo T. Wright died 31th March 1876. 6.00 pm
. . . ."

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George T. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
George T Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
				1

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				1.10

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George T. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
George T. Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches
			$50	1

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office
1			

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				6.85

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George T. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
George T. Wright	1	1		2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $80				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				1.97

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George T. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
George T Wright	1			5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $60				1

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds
$5			

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				7.65

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed George T. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
George T. Wright	1	1		3

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $80				1

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			3.07

On May 13, 1850, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/2 George Wright gifted to his son George T. Wright a parcel of about 36 acres of land:

> "This deed made this 13th May 1850 between George Wright of Essex County of the 1st part and George T Wright his son of said County of the second part: Witnesseth that the said George Wright being desirous to advance the interest of his said son in consideration thereof as well as for the affection he bears towards his said son & the sum of one dollar to him paid by said G. T. Wright before the execution of this deed has bargained & sold & by these presents doth bargain & sell unto the said G. T. Wright his heirs and assigns an equal moity of small tract of land lying in said County on the North side of the road leading Howertons Meeting House by the farm of Samuel Smith to the lower end of the County the precise quantity not recollected but supposed to contain about thirty six Acres acres - which said tract of land was embraced in the purchase together with the other land by the said George Wright of Peter J Derieux decd & conveyed in the deed made by said Peter J Derieux to the said George Wright and is nearly opposite but on the other side of the road to the farm of Richard Cauthorn on which he at present resides - To have and to hold the said moity of said tract of land to said George T Wright & his heirs & assigns forever - In Witness whereof the said George Wright has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal
>
> Geo Wright
>
> The moity of the tract of land above conveyed is a part of the land conveyed by William Horace Taylor & Julia his wife to Peter J. Derieux by deed bearing date

the 1st February 1837 and admitted to record by the County Court of Essex on the 20th February 1837

Geo Wright

Essex County Court Clerk's Office May 20th 1850

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by George Wright to be his act and deed, and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George T. Wright with the following household on August 2, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
George T Wright	28	M		Farmer	5000
Joseph Griffith	28	M		Manager	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that George Thomas Wright was born in about 1822.

On January 15, 1851, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/93 George T. Wright sold to his brother John J. Wright his one-third interest in 859 acres of land known as Springfield:

"This Indenture made and entered into this the 15th day of January 1851 Between George T Wright of the one part and John J Wright of the other part both of the County of Essex and State of Virginia Witnesseth that the said George T Wright for and in consideration of the several devises and bequests made to him the said George T Wright in the last Will and Testament and the Codicils thereto annexed of his father George Wright decd duly admitted to record by the County Court of Essex on the 16th day of December 1850 and also for the further consideration of the sum of Five dollars to him in hand paid by the said John J Wright at and before the ensealing and delivery of these

presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledge, he the said George T Wright doth grant, bargain sell transfer and convey unto the said John J Wright his heirs and assigns all his the said George T Wright's right title and interest being one third of the tract of land called Springfield lying being and situate in the said County of Essex, and upon which the said John J Wright at present resides supposed to contain eight hundred and fifty nine acres it being the same land which the said George Wright the father of the said George T Wright held as tenant by the curtesy in right of his late wife Susan F Wright the mother of the said George T Wright to whom it was devised by her late father Capt. John Jones decd and which the said George Wright decd in his life time conveyed by deed of record in the Office aforesaid to his said son John J Wright, and which conveyance he the said George Wright decd confirmed by his last Will and Testament and the said George T Wright covenants to and with the said John J Wright that he has the right to convey the interest aforesaid in the tract of land aforesaid to the said John J Wright that he the said grantee shall have quiet possession of the interest aforesaid, that he the said grantor will execute such further assurances of his interest in the said tract of land as may be requisite, and that he the said grantor will warrant generally his said interest in the tract of land herein before mentioned. Witness the following signature and Seal

Signed Sealed acknowledged) Geo: T Wright
and delivered in presence)

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 20th day of January 1851

This Deed was this day produced in Court and being acknowledged by George T Wright to be his act and deed was ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

Marriage Notices From Richmond, Virginia Newspapers, 1841-1853 listed the marriage notice for George T. Wright and Maria R. S. Bramham on April 1, 1851, in Essex County, Virginia:

"Married in Tappahannock on Tues. April 1st [1851], by Rev. J. P. McGuire, Mr. George T. Wright, and Miss Maria R. S. Bramham, all of Essex Co. RE, Apr. 8, 1851, p. 2"

On August 19, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/593 Philip A. and Lucy A. Bramham gifted to Maria R. S. Wright, wife of George T. Wright, and to Hannah J. Bramham Lot No. 6 in Tappahannock:

"This Deed made this the 19th day of August 1854 between Philip A Bramham and Lucy A. his wife of the one part and Maria R S Wright the wife of George T. Wright and Hannah J Bramham of the other part: Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which they the said Philip A Bramham and Lucy A his wife have and bear to their children the Said Maria R S Wright and Hannah J Bramham, and the further consideration of five dollars to them the said Philip A Bramham, and Lucy A his wife in hand paid they do grant unto the said Maria R S Wright and Hannah J Bramham all their right, title and interest in and to a certain lot of land in the Town of Tappahannock and County of Essex known and designated in the plot of Said Town, as Lot No 6, being the Same lot of land two thirds of which were conveyed to the said Philip A Bramham, and wife by Maria R Gooch and William A Wright by a deed dated the 27th day of December 1850 and admitted to record in the Clerk's Office of Essex County Court on the 3rd day of January 1851 and the said Philip A Bramham, and Lucy A his wife do covenant to and with the Said Maria R S Wright and Hannah J Bramham, that they will warrant generally to them the said last mentioned parties the title to the Said property

Witness the following Signatures and Seals

Signed Sealed, delivered &) P A Bramham
acknowledged in presence of) Lucy A Bramham

State of Virginia, City of Richmond to wit;

We Jno. J Binford and J A Cowardin Justices of the peace for the Said City in the State aforesaid do certify that Lucy A Bramham the wife of Philip A Bramham parties to the foregoing writing bearing date on the 19th day of August 1854, personally appeared before us in the City aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her She the Said Lucy A Bramham acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that She had willingly executed the Same and does not wish to retract it

Given under our hands this day of August 1854

Jno J Binford J.P.
J A Cowardin J.P.

Essex County Court Clerk's Office August 22nd 1854

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my Said Office by Philip A Bramham one of the parties to the Same to be his act and deed and with the Justices certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste,
James Roy Micon Clk"

On August 24, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/593 Hannah J. Bramham gifted to Maria R. S. Wright, wife of George T. Wright, Lot No. 6 in Tappahannock:

"This Deed made this 24th day of August 1854 between Hannah J. Bramham of the one part and Maria R S Wright the wife of George T Wright of the other part, Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which the Said Hannah J Bramham has and bears to her sister the Said Maria R S Wright and the further consideration of ____ to her the Said Bramham in hand paid doth grant unto the Said Maria R S Wright all her the Said Bramhams right title and interest (being a moiety) in and to a certain lot of land in the town of Tappahannock and County of Essex Known and designated in the plat of said town as Lot No 6 being the same Lot of land conveyed to the Said Maria R S Wright and Hannah J Bramham by a deed dated 19th August 1854 and admitted to record in the Clerks Office of Essex County Court on the 22nd day of August 1854 and the Said Hannah J Bramham doth covenant with the said Maria R S Wright that She will warrant generally to her the title to the Said property Witness the following Signature & Seal

Signed Sealed delivered) H J Bramham
acknowledged in presence of)

City of Richmond)
State of Virginia to wit)

I Samuel T Bayly a Notary Public for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do Certify that Hannah J Bramham, whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date the 24th day of August 1854 has acknowledged the same before me in my City aforesaid Given under my hand this 25th day of July 1854

Saml T Bayly NP

Essex County Court Clerks Office August 16th 1855

This Deed was this day produced to me in the Office aforesaid, and with the Notary Public Certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste
H. W. Daingerfield D Clerk
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George T. Wright in the following household on July 10, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Geo T Wright	38	M		U S Collector	3000
Lucy Perkins	54	F			
P Selden Wright	8	M			
R R Wright	6	M			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
20000	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		1		

This record indicates that George Thomas Wright was born in about 1822.

9th Virginia Cavalry stated that George T. Wright, enlisted on June 10, 1861, in Company F, 9th Virginia, Cavalry as a sergeant, was then age 39 and a collector, was detailed with George E. Pickett, then served in the Virginia Legislature, was rarely with the company, and was dropped from the rolls after April 1862.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George T. Wright in the William G. Jeffris household on August 18, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
William G Jeffris	40	M	W	Physician	2000
Ella A Jeffris	35	F	W	Keeping House	
Josaphine Jeffris	15	F	W	Attending School	
Willie Ella Jeffris	7	F	W	Attending School	
Catherine Jeffris	4	F	W	at Home	
Nannie F Jeffris	2	F	W	at Home	
George T Wright	50	M	W	Without Occupation	
Richard B Wright	16	M	W	attending School	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
500	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			1	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			1	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	
		.	
		.	
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		.	
		.	
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This record indicates that George Thomas Wright was born in about 1820.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated George Thomas Wright was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex

County and Susan F. (Jones) Wright, was born in 1821, married Maria Branham, and died in 1871 and that Maria (Branham) Wright was born in 1829 and died in 1856.

iv. 1823 Wright

1823 ____ Wright of Essex County was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and Susan F. (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1850 George[4])

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

a son born dead 29th Nov. 1823

. . . ."

v. 1876 Benjamin Erasmus Wright Of Essex County, His Wives Sarah Rebecca (Spindle) Wright And Lalla Rookh (Robins) Wright, And His Descendants

1876 Benjamin Erasmus Wright of Essex County was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and Susan F. (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1850 George[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Geo Silas Wright son of B. E. Wright departed This life on 21 of July 1852 in the sixth year of his life ____

. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Marriages
. . . .
Benjamin E. Wright to Sarah Rebecca Spindle December 5th 1844
. . . .

Births
. . . .
Benjamin Erasmus Wright July 19th, 1825
. . . .
Benja E. Wrights children
George Silas Septr 18. 1846
John Erasmus Jones Wright Sept 22nd. 1849
Sarah Georgena Wright 13th day of Feb'ry 1851
. . . .

Deaths
. . . .
Sarah Rebecca wife of B.E. Wright October 11, 1849 at 2 oclock P.M
Sarah Rebecca the wife of Benjamin E. Wright and only daughter of Silas and Martha Spindle both decd. died at Sheba in Essex County at 2 Oclock PM on wednesday the 11th October 1849 leaving two children George Sales and John Erasmus Jones Wright--see Register in this book for their ages--
. . . ."

This record indicates that Benjamin Erasmus Wright was born on July 19, 1825, married Sarah Rebecca Spindle on December 5, 1844, that Sarah Rebecca (Spindle) Wright died on October 11, 1849, in Essex County, Virginia, and that Benjamin Erasmus Wright and Sarah Rebecca (Spindle) Wright had the following children:

1) George Silas Wright, born on September 18, 1846, and

2) John Erasmus Jones Wright, born on September 22, 1849.

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Benjamin Erasmus Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mrs. Lucy Hunter Cardwell of Lynchburg, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Births

B. E. Wright was born the 19. of July 1825
Sarah R Wright the wife of B E Wright was born the 1. of Jany 1826
George Silas Wright son of B E & S R Wright was born the 18 of Sept 1846
B Erasmus Jones Wright son of B E & S R Wright was born the 22. Sept 1849.
Lalla R. Wright wife of B. E. Wright was born the 16th of March 1832.
Sarah Roane Wright daughter of B. E. & L. R. Wright was born the 9th of Dec. 1856.
Lalla Rookh, second daughter of B. E. & L. R. Wright, was born the 3rd of Dec. 1859
Eliza Claiborne third daughter of B. E. & L. R. Wright, was born the 18th of Apil, 1863.
Virginia M. Spindle was born the 9 Feby 1829
Philip S Spindle, was born Oct 8th 1826.
A. R. Spindle was born the ____
Jno. E. Spindle - born the ____
L. W. Spindle born the 10th Feby 1824
Jno. J. Wright born the 9th June 1819
George T. Wright born the 6th October 1821
Susan Jones Wright daughter of Jno J Wright was born the 2" May 1843
Mary Susan Wright daughter of Geo & Mary B. Wright was born 6th Nov 1846

Marriages

George Robert Smith and Vergie Ratliff were married March 28, 1935
B. E. Wright was married to Sarah R. Spindle on the 5th Dec. 1844. by Revd Jno Bird
Jno J Wright was married to Eliza. J. Noel on the 6th July 1842
George T. Wright was married to Maria R S Branham 1th April 1851
Susan J. Wright daughter of Jno. J. Eliza J. Wright was married to Dr. J. Milton Gouldin Apr 1876
Mary Susan Wright daughter of Geo & Mary B. Wright was marrid to Capt. B. L. Sale Dec 1870
Susan J. Gouldin was married to Jas. Kosseler Mar 1882
Chas. C. Toombs and Elizabeth Stuart Smith were married at Woodville, Apr 15, 1925
George Robert Smith and Vergie Ratliff were married March 28, 1935.
Benjamin E. Wright was married to Lalla Rookh Robins, on the 13th Sep 1850
B. J. Wright was married to Julia B. Davis Nov 10th 1881
Lalla R. Wright was married to Chas. Saml. Smith Nov 17th 1881
C. S. Smith Jr. and Nellie Shackleford were married June 25, 1912.

Laura Wright Smith and William Lindsey Rennolds were married Oct 3, 1917 at Woodville
Benj. E. W. Smith and Maude Monroe Motley were married, Dec. 24, 1919
William Harleigh Smith and Mary M. Schools were married Jan 11, 1921.
Francis Winston Smith and Avis Belle Chiles were married in Fredericksburg Aug 28, 1924
Jas Selden Smith and Mary Hall were married June 24, 1926
Eliza Claiborn Wright and John Robert Haile were married on Aug. 21, 1895, at St. Paul's
Philip Selden Wright son of Geo T Wright and Maria R S Wright - Born at Lawnview noon 4th of March 1852
Richard B. Wright second son of Geo. T. and Maria R. S. Wright - Born at Shelba Essex County on the 13th April 1854.
Charles Samuel son of C. S. & L. R. Smith was born at Shelba Dec. 12th 1882
Erasmus Wright, second son of C. S. & L. R. Smith was born at Woodville Feb. 18th 1884
William Harleigh third son of C. S. & L. R. Smith was born at Woodville Apr. 10th 1887.
Lalla Rookh Wright daughter of C. S. & L. R. Smith was born at Woodville Feb. 14th 1889
Elizabeth Stuart 2nd daughter of C. S. & L. R. Smith was born at Woodville June 25th 1891
Benj. Eras Jones Wright son of B E Wright & Sarah R Wright born at Shelba Essex Co Va 22d September 1849
Sarah Roane Wright daughter of B E Wright & L R Wright Born at Shelba Essex Co Va. 9th December 1855.
Lalla R Wright daughter of B E & L R Wright born at Shelba Essex Co Va 3d December 1859
Eliza C Wright daughter of B E & L R Wright born at Shelba Essex Co. Va 18th Apil 1863
Julia Brooke daughter of B. J. and Julia B. Wright was born Apr. 27th 1883, at Rose Villa.
Laura Wright 3rd daughter of C. S. & L. R. Smith was born at Woodville May 15th, 1894
Benj Erasmus Wright 4th son of C. S. & L. R. Smith was born at Woodville Jan. 17th, 1896
Geo. Robt. 5th son of C. S. & L. R. Smith, born at Woodvill Oct 3st, 1898
Francis Winston 6th son of C. S. & L. R. Smith born at Woodvill Oct 21, 1900
James Selden 7th son of C. S. & L. R. Smith was born Feb. 21, 1903

Wright.--Near Miller's, Essex county, Mrs. Lalla Rookh, relict of Mr. B. E. Wright. The subject of this notice was for _nt thirty years the organist at St. Paul's _urch, South Farnham parish. God gave her _traordinary musical gifts. She had a strong, [swe]et voice, and was a good performer on the [org]an. These gifts she consecrated to the ser__ and worship of God. She was a consis_t Christian, and

one in whose life was ver__ the words, "Whom the Lord loveth He _steneth and scourgeth every son that he __eth." She was solely tried in the last _ years, but received g_ace to say, "Father _ my will, but thine be done." Mrs. Wright _l be sadly missed by her church, her fam_ and her pastor. May the blessed Saviour _ bore our griefs and carried our sorrows _fort her bereaved family. X.

Sale.--At Rose Mount, near Loretto, Essex county, Va., on the 18th of August, in the _st year of her age, Mrs. M. S. Sale departed for the realms of paradise--to its blessed portion, we believe, where she awaits the glorious resurrection which remaineth for the people of God.

. . . .

J. C. Koon.

Died, at Shelby, her residence, in the county of Essex on the 10th October, 1843, in the 24th year of her __, alas. Sarah Rebecca Wright, the beloved wife of Benjamin E. Wright. As a wife, parent, ____ and friend, she discharged most faithfully the obligations and duties that devolved on her. She possessed a most kind, amiable and affectionate disposition, which recured the friendship and esteem of all who knew her. She left two children, one about three years and the other about three weeks old, who can never know a mother's love. With the brightest prospects, that she was about to exchange this for a better world, she bade adieu to husband, children and friends, and most cheerfully surrendered her spirit to the God who gave it.

Died at Shibla on the 24 July 1832. George Silas Wright in the Sixth year of his life.

Lalla Rookh Smith died at ____ Co. Va.

Died
At Shelba, Essex county, (the residence of his father,) on the 21st ult., George Silas, oldest son of Benjamin E. Wright, Esq., in the sixth year of his age. Thus has passed from earth one of the most promising and interesting youths of his age--the hope of a fond and doting father. . . .

Died at Shelba Essex Cy. Va. 26 day Feby. 1858. A R Spinah in 27 year of his age.

Geo T. Wright died 31th March 1876. 6.00 pm

Died at Woodville Aug. 12, 1887. Mrs. Lalla Rookh Wright in the 56th year of her age.

Died at Woodville Feb. 20th 1884. Erasmus Wright son of C. S. & L. R. Smith, aged 2 days.

Elizabeth Hails died Oct 3rd, 1932.

Lalla R. Wright Smith
died Nov. 1933.

Deaths.
Died on the morning of the 27 Sept 1858 Silar Wilton Spinah in the 34th year of his age.

Died at Shelba, on the 27th Jan. 1869, Sarah Roane Wright, in the 14th year of her age.

Died.
At Shelba, Essex county, on the 27th of January, 1869, Sarah Roane eldest daughter of B. E. and L. R. Wright, aged 13 years.

The death of one so young and lovely, and to whom life presented so many attractions, is one of those mysterious dispensations of Providence that appears marvellous in our eyes. Could medical skill and the unceasing vigilance of kind and loving friends have stayed the hand of disease she would have been spared to comfort those whose hearts are now left desolate by her departure. Possessing a bright intellect, gentle affectionate and confiding in disposition, she had endeared herself to all who knew her, and her memory will long be cherished with fond affection. Though the disease wwhich terminated her existence was of short duration, it found her prepared to meet the dread destroyer. Baptized and nurtured in the Episcopal church, she was truly a lamb of Christ's flock on each, and is now gathered in His fold in that "beautiful land" of which she so often spoke during her illness. May the fond parents, loving brother and two little sisters, be comforted with this reflection, remembering that they can go to her though she may not return to them.

Died at Shelba, on the 11th of March 1876, B. E. Wright, in the 51st year of his age.
. . . .

Died at Rose Villa. Aug 27th 1883, Julia Brook, wife of B. E. Wright, in the 23 yr of her age

Lalla Rookh Smith died at "Woodside" Essex Co., Va. November 18, 1933, in the 74th year of her age.

Died at Shelba March 10, 1957 C. S. Smith, husband of Lalla Rook Wright Smith, in the 81st year of his age

Family record of the late C. S. Smith of Miller's Tavern, Virginia

Charles Samuel Smith, Born Jan. 30, 1857

Lalla Rook, Wright Born Dec. 3, 1859 Married: Nov. 17, 1881

Children of C S. and L. R. Smith

C. S. Smith Jr. Born Dec. 12, 1882 Married to Nellie Shackleford married June 12, 1912 Nellie S. died April 196 Charlds Oct 1962

Erasmus Wright Smith, Born & Died Feb. 1884

William Harleigh Smith Born April 10, 1887 Married to Mary M. Schools Jan. 11, 1921

Lalla R. W. Smith, Born Feb. 14, 1889

Elizabeth Stuart Smith, Born June 25, 1891 Married to Charles C. Toombs, April 15, 1925

Laura Wright Smith, Born May 15, 1894 Married to W. Lindsay Rennolds Oct. 3, 1917

Benjamin E. W. Smith Born Jan. 17, 1896 Married to Maude M. Motley Dec. 24, 1919 B. E. W. Smith died Mar. 25, 1963

George Robert Smith Born Oct. 3, 1898 Married to Virgie M. Ratliff,Mar. 28, 1935

Francis Winston Smith Born Oct. 21 1900 Married to Avee Belle Chiles Aug. 28, 1924

James Seldon Smith Born Feb. 21, 1903 Married to Mary Hall June 27, 1926

Lalla Annae Toombs & Rasymond E. Dunton were married Jan. 20, 1952

Anne Ellis Dunton was born March 3, 1953

Died at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. R. Smith, Richmond, Va., February 2, 1917, Miss Mary Catharine Jones, and was buried at St. Paul's Essex County, the following Sunday. She was born at Woodstock, Gloucester County, the ancestral home of her father, Emanuel Macon Jones, grandson of Rev. Emanuel

Jones, first rector of Petsworth parish. Her mother was Mary Elizabeth Wright, of Poplar Grove, Essex. . . ."

This record indicates that Benjamin Erasmus Wright was born on July 19, 1825, married first Sarah Rebecca Spindle on December 5, 1844, married second Lalla Rookh Robins on September 13, 1850, and died on March 11, 1876, in Essex County, Virginia, that Sarah Rebecca (Spindle) Wright was born on January 1, 1826, and died on October 10, 1843 [1848?], in Essex County, Virginia, that Lalla Rookh (Robins) Wright was born on March 16, 1832, and died on August 12, 1887, in Woodville, and that Benjamin Erasmus Wright and Sarah Rebecca (Spindle) Wright had the following children:

1) George Silas Wright, born on September 18, 1846, and

2) Benjamin Erasmus Jones Wright, born on September 22, 1849, at Essex County, Virginia, and

that Benjamin Erasmus Wright and Lalla Rookh (Robins) Wright had the following children:

1) Sarah Roane Wright, born on December 9, 1855 or 1856, at Essex County, Virginia,

2) Lalla Rookh (Wright) Smith, born on December 3, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia, and

3) Eliza Claiborne (Wright) Haile, born on April 18, 1863, at Essex County, Virginia.

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Dr. John Jones Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which provided as follows with regard to his family:

"Family Record

Marriages

. . . .

Benjamin E. Wright and Sarah R. Wright (who before marriage was S. R. Spindle) were married the 5th day of Dec 1844

Benjm E. Wright & Lalla R. Robbins were married in the City of Richmond the 13 day of Sept 1850

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Geo Silas Wright son of B E. & S R. Wright was born 18" day of September 1846
Benja E. J Wright, son of B E. & S R. Wright born 20th September 1849

. . . .

Sarah Roane Wright daughter of B E Wright & L R Wright born the 10 Decr 1855

. . . .

Benj E Wright 13" July 1825

. . . .

Deaths

. . . ."

The marriage record of Benjamin E. Wright and Sarah R. Spindle was dated on November 26, 1844, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Know all Men by these Presents - That we Benjamin E Wright and George Wright are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia, for the time being, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Witness our hands and seals, the 26th day of Novemr 1844.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such - That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the said Benjamin E Wright and Miss Sarah R Spindle then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

All erasing in the Obligatory part of this bond done before signed

Executed in presence of) Benjn C Wright
James Roy Micon) Geo Wright

Clerk's Office of ____ County Court, ____ day of ____ 18_.

Personally appeared before me, in my Office, ____ and made oath, that the above named ____ and ____ are, each, above the age of 21 years, and that the said ____ usually resides in said county."

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Erasmus Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Benj: Erasmus Wright	1	5		3

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
		1 $60		

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
1					

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				3.05

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Benjamin E Wright	1	7	2	4

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $50				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				4.03

On December 28, 1846, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/249 George Wright and Mary B. Wright gifted to his son John J. Wright 859 acres of land subject to certain retained rights and interests and to his son Benjamin E. Wright two parcels of 368 acres and 358 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 28th of December 1846 between George Wright and Mary B his wife of the County of Essex of the first part John J Wright of the same County of the second part and Benjamin E Wright of the County aforesaid of the third part Witnesseth the said George Wright being desirous to make advancements to his sons the said J. J. Wright & B. E Wright and to procure for them & each of them the means of a comfortable support for them and their families, in consideration Thereof and the natural love and affection which he bears towards his said sons, hath given granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth give grant bargain and sell unto the said John J Wright and his heirs and assigns all his the said Geo. Wright's right title claim interest and demand in and to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the said County of Essex called & Known as Springfield whereon the said John J Wright at present resides containing by estimation eight hundred and fifty nine acres be the same more or less being the land devised by the late Capt. John Jones decd

to his daughter Susan F. Wright subject nevertheless to the following reservations namely the free use of the family burying ground to the said George Wright and the other children of the said Susan F. Wright decd and their descendants, the privilege of taking a sufficiency of fuel rail timber from that part of the said land contiguous to the lot called Rexburg so long as the same shall be the property of said George Wright and no longer and the said John J Wright paying on the 1st January 1848 and annually thereafter if so required by the said George Wright for and during the life of Mrs. Susan Jones, the widow of the said John Jones decd the sum of fourteen dollars and thirty six cents And the said George Wright and Mary B his wife in consideration of the premises aforesaid and the sum of one dollar to them in hand paid at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged & the said Mary B. Wright for other good and valuable considerations her thereunto moving have given granted bargained and sold & by these presents do give grant bargain and sell unto the said Benjamin E. Wright and his heirs and assigns all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County aforesaid purchased by the said George Wright of Achilles Noel Jr a particular description of which will appear by the deed of the said Achilles Noel Jr to the said Geo. Wright of record in the Clerk's office of the County Court of Essex and also all the tract or parcel of land adjoining devised by Mordecai Spindle the father of said Mary B. to her the said Mary B. Wright therein called Mary B. Spindle the 1st tract purchased of Achillis Noel Jr as aforesaid estimated to contain three hundred and sixty eight acres be the same more or less & the 2nd devised by Mordecai Spindle as aforesaid estimated to contain three hundred and fifty eight acres be the same more or less and the said George Wright for himself his heirs executors and admrs doth hereby covenant to and with the said John J. Wright and the said Benjamin E. Wright their and each of their heirs and assigns in manner and form following that is to say, that he the said Geo Wright will warrant protect and defend to the said John J. Wright such right and title in the said tract of land herein before named called Springfield as is herein and hereby conveyed being an estate for life as tenant by the curtesy against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same subject however to the reservations herein before named. And that he the said George Wright will warrant protect and defend the right and title of all the land herein & hereby conveyed to the said Benjamin E Wright against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever. And the said Benjamin E. Wright in consideration of the premises and the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said John J. Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said John J. Wright and his heirs and assigns one undevided third part of the said tract of land called Spring Field to which he the said Benjamin E. Wright as one of the heirs of his mother Susan F. Wright is entitled in reversion expectant upon the death of the said George Wright who is entitled to a life estate in and to the same as tenant by the Curtesy. To have and to hold the same to the said John J. Wright his heirs and

assigns forever free from all and every claim and demand which the said Benjamin E. Wright and his heirs and assigns have or may hereafter be entitled to or have in and to the same. In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands & affixed their seals the day & year first herein written

1st Page 29th line the words	)	Geo. Wright
"rail timbers" interlined before	)	Mary B. Wright
signed 2 P 33d: the word	)	Jno J Wright
"such" interlined before	)	B. E. Wright
before signed	)	

Essex County to wit

We Richard Rowzee & Richard Motley Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary B. Wright the wife of George Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 28th of December 1846 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us separately and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her the the said Mary B. Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same & that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands & seals this 3rd day of Feby. 1847

Richard Rowzee
Richard Motley

Essex County Court Clerk's Office February 10th 1847

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the said Office by George Wright and John J Wright two of the parties to the same to be their act and deed & with the Justice's Certificate annexed as to the privy examination and acknowledgment of Mary B. Wright the wife of the said George Wright another party to the same is admitted to record as to them

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 15th 1847

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the said Office by Benjamin E Wright another party to the same to be his act and deed and admitted to record as to him

Teste
James M Matthews DC for
James Roy Micon Clk

1848 May 25th Origl Deed enclosed Mr Benj E Wright by mail to Occupa__ see order from Jno J Wright to sd B E Wright & sd B E Wrights written instruction filed in Bundle Deeds &c Mar 1847

J R M Clk"

On January 7, 1847, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/237 Benjamin E. Wright purchased from James and Ann B. Burke 39¼ acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 7th day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty seven, between James Burke of the County of Essex & state of Virginia: and Ann B his wife of the one part and Benjamin E. Wright of the same County and state of the other part Witnesseth the said James Burke and Ann B his wife for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred dollars good and lawful money of this commonwealth, to them in hand paid by the said Benjamin E Wright, at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge and thereof acquit the said Benjamin E. Wright his heirs executorsand administrators by these presents. Have granted bargained sold aliened released and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release and confirm unto the said Benjamin E Wright and unto his heirs and assigns forever a certain lot piece or parcel of land situate and lying in the County of Essex and containing thirty nine & 1/4 acres more or less. Bounded as follows viz on the north by the main road leading from Hunter's Mill to Lorette on the west by the land of the Misses Thomas' on the south by the said Benj E. Wright, and on the east by the main road leading from Hunter's Mill to Lorette together well all the estate, right title and interest or otherwise however of in to or out of the same. To have and to hold the said lot piece or parcel of Land and every parcel thereof with their appurtenances unto the said Benj E. Wright his heirs and assigns forever and unto the only use and behoof of him the said Benj. E Wright, his heirs and assigns forever. And the said James Burke for himself his heirs executors and administrators, and for and in behalf of the said Ann B. his wife and her heirs, doth covenant promise grant and agree to and with the said Benj. E. Wright his heirs and assigns by these presents in manner and form following to wit that he the said James Burke and his heirs the said lot piece or parcel of land and the

premises hereby granted or intended to be with the appurtenances unto the said Benj E. Wright his heirs and assigns against him the said James Burke and his heirs and against the heirs of Ann B his wife and against all and every person or persons whatever, will warrant and forever defend by these presents In witness whereof we have hereunto set ourhands and affixed our seals the date first above written.

James Burke
Ann B. Burke

Essex County to wit

We Edward Wright and Alex T. Baylor Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that James Burke a party to a certain bearing date on the 7th day of January 1847 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order than the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of January 1847

Edward Wright
Alex T. Baylor

Essex County to wit

We Edward Wright and Alex T. Baylor Justices of the Peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify Anne B. the wife of James Burke parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 7th day of January 1847 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Anne B. Burke acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of January 1847.

Edward Wright
Alex T. Baylor

Essex County Court Clerk's Office January 25th 1847

This Deed was this day produced in the said Office with the Justices' certificates annexed and admitted to record.

Teste
James M Matthews D C for
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Benjn E Wright	1	10		4

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches
$50				

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50
	1				

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				4.60

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
Benjn E. Wright	Essex	fee	39¼	James Andrews

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
18 NW	5.00		187.50	.19

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

conveyed to you by James Br__ & wife

This record reflects the purchase in 1847 of 39¼ acres of land by Essex County Deed 49/237.

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
Benjamin E Wright	1	7	1	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $60				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50
1			1		

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				4.58½

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
Benjn E Wright	Essex	fee	39¼	James Andrews
Same	"	"	726	Hunters Mill pond

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
15 NW	5.00		187.50	.19
16 Do	6.00	350.00	4356.00	4.36

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

conveyed to you by George Wright & wife

This record reflects the gift in 1846 of 726 acres of land by Essex County Deed 49/249.

On December 18, 1848, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/552 Benjamin E. Wright purchased from James and Mary Semple 582 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 18th day of December in the year Eighteen hundred and forty eight between James Semple and Mary his wife of the County of Essex of the first part and Benjamin E Wright of the same County of the second part, Witnesseth that the said James Semple and Mary his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Six thousand dollars to them in hand paid by the said Benjamin E Wright, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge do by these presents grant bargain sell and convey unto the said Benjamin E Wright his heirs and assigns a certain tract or parcel of land situate in the said County bounded and described as follows Viz; On the North by the road leading from Millers to Mount Zion Meeting House and the land of Mrs Frances Croxton on the West by the land of the estate of Carter Croxton decd on the south by the land of Polly Crow, and on the East by the lands of Thos N Clarke containing by estimation Five hundred and eighty two Acres be the same more or less and composed of the following tracts to wit, the land devised by the late Ro: B Semple to the said James Semple except twenty acres, part thereof sold and conveyed by the said James Semple to Obadiah A Greenwood, twenty two acres purchased by the said James Semple of Thos Cole, and Sixty five Acres of Edwin Upshaw and William R. G. Trible and embraces the land heretofore conveyed by the said James Semple to his son Samuel P Semple and by him reconveyed to the said James . . . . the entire tract whereon the said James Semple at present resides, together with all the priviledges and appertenances to the said land in any wise appertaining and belonging. To have and to hold the above granted premises to the said Benjamin E Wright his heirs and assigns forever And I the said James Semple for myself my heirs executors and administrators do covenant with the said Benjamin E Wright his heirs and assigns that I and my said wife are lawfully seized in fee of the before granted premises; that they are free from all incumbrances; that I and my said wife have a good and perfect right to sell and convey the same to the said Benjamin E Wright his heirs and assigns as aforesaid and that I will and my heirs executors and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said Benjamin E Wright his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons In Testimony whereof the said James Semple and Mary his wife have hereunto set their hands and Seals the day and year first herein written

Signed Sealed and delivered	)	James Semple
by James Semple in the	)	Mary P Semple
presence of us the word	)	
"Dr Jefferson Minor and"	)	
erased before it was signed	)	

Essex County to wit

We Riuchard Motley & Thos C Gordon Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that James Semple a party to a certain deed bearing date 18th day of December 1848, and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and Seals this 18th day of December 1848

Richard Motley
Thomas C Gordon

Essex County to wit

We Richd Motley & Thos C Gordon justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary Semple the wife of James Semple parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 18th day of December 1848 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained her she the said Mary Semple acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it, Given under our hands and seals this 18th day of December 1848

Richard Motley
Thos C Gordon

Essex County Court Clerks Office January 4th 1849

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1863 April 28th Received the original deed recorded opposite

B E Wright"

On December 28, 1848, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/952 Benjamin E. Wright and Sarah Rebecca Wright sold to James Burke 765 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 28th: day of December in the year Eighteen hundred and forty eight between Benjamin E Wright and Sarah Rebecca his wife of the

County of Essex of the first part and James Burke of said County of the second part - Witnesseth that the said Benjamin E Wright and Sarah Rebecca his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Four thousand three hundred dollars to them paid by the said James Burke the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do by these presents grant bargain, sell and convey unto the said James Burke his heirs and assigns these several tracts or parcels of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex and adjoining each other Containing by estimation in the agregate seven hundred and sixty five and one fourth acres be the same more or less, being the land whereon the said Benjamin E Wright lately resided, the first, being the land once owned by Achilles Noel Containing by estimation three hundred and sixty eight acres, sold & conveyed by said Noel & wife to George Wright by their deed of record in the Clerk's Office of Essex County; the second, being the land devised by Mordecai Spindle to his daughter Mary B. now the wife of said George Wright, Containing by estimation three hundred and fifty eight acres: the said two parcels above named being the same conveyed by said George Wright & wife to said Benjamin E Wright by deed bearing date the __ day of December 1846 and of record in the Clerk's Office of Essex County - and the third being the same tract sold and conveyed by said Burke & wife to said Benjamin E Wright by their deed of record in the Clerk's Office of Essex County - all the said land being sold by the said Benjamin E Wright and wife to the said James Burke as a sale in gross and not by the acre; reference is had as to the boundaries of said land to the will of Mordecai Spindle decd: and to the deeds executed by the said George Wright and wife and said James Burke and wife herein before refered to: To have and to hold the said herein and hereby granted premises to the said James Burke and his heirs, and assigns forever - and the said Benjamin E Wright for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators doth Covenant with said James Burke his heirs and assigns that the said James Burke his heirs and assigns shall and may at all times hereafter, have hold possess and enjoy all and every part of the premises hereby granted against the let hindrance, eviction or disturbance of all persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same - and that he the said Benjamin E Wright will, and his heirs executors and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said James Burke his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims or demands of all persons - In testimony whereof the said Benjamin E Wright and Sarah Rebecca his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written

Signed Sealed and deli-	)	B E Wright
vered in presence of	)	S R Wright

Essex County to wit

We Richard Rowzee & Edmund F Noel Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Benjamin E Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 28th day of December 1848 and hereto

annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded - Given under our hands and seals this 2nd day of January 1849

Richard Rowzee
Edmund F Noel

Essex County to wit

We Richard Rowzee & Edmund F Noel Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Sarah Rebecca Wright the wife of Benjamin E Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 28th day of December 1848 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, She the said Sarah Rebecca Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed sealed & delivered the same & that she wished not to retract it - Given under our hands & seals this 2nd day of Jany 1849

Richard Rowzee
Edmund F Noel

Essex County Court Clerk's Office March 19th 1849

This Deed was this day produced in the said Office with the Justice's Certificates annexed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Benjamin E Wright	1	7	2	4

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $40				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
1			1		

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				4.51

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Benjamin E Wright	Essex	Fee	39¼	James Anderson

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
15 NW	5.00		187.50	.19

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

This record reflects the sale in 1848 of 765 acres of land by Essex County Deed 49/952, although their original purchase of 39¼ acres was not removed from the list.

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Benj E Wright	1	7	2	5

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $80				

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
1		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			5.20½

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Benj E Wright	Essex	Fee	582	Thomas N Clarke

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
10 W	9.75	1000.00	5382.00	5.39

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

This record reflects the sale in 1848 of 39¼ acres of land by Essex County Deed 49/952 and the purchase in 1848 of 582 acres of land by Essex County Deed 49/552.

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following household on November 5, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Benjamin E Wright	25	M		Farmer	6000
Lalla Wright	17	F			
Silas Wright	3	M			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

On December 6, 1853, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/505 Benjamin E. Wright purchased from Pleasant T. and Lucinda Catharine Southall their interest in 131-3/4 acres of land:

"This Deed made the 6th day of December 1853 between Pleasant T Southall and Lucinda Catharine his wife of the one part and Benjamin E Wright of the other part Witnesseth that the said Pleasant T Southall and Lucinda Catharine his wife for and in consideration of the Sum of one hundred & thirty two dollars to them in hand paid by the Said Benjamin E Wright do Sell and Convey unto the said Benjamin E Wright all their right title and interest in a certain tract of land lying in the County of Essex being a part of the tract of land Known and called Allens Quarter which Said tract of land was divided by a decree of the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery of Essex County pronounced in a Suit pending in the Said Court in the name and Style of Owen against Allen among the children and grandchildren of Thomas Allen decd and one hundred and thirty one and three fourths of an acre, of Said land was allotted to the children of James Allen decd of whom the Said Lucinda Catharine Southall the wife of the Said Pleasant T Southall is one, the boundaries of which said land may be seen by reference to the plot of Said division filed in the said Suit and a final decree, in which Said Suit was pronounced at the November Term of the Said Court in the year 1850 and the Said Pleasant T Southall and his wife warrant generally their interest in the Said tract of land to the Said Benjamin E Wright

Witness the following Signatures & Seals

Witness P T Southall
L C Southall

State of Virginia
City of Richmond to wit;

I Herbert A Claiborne, a Notary Public for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Pleasant T Southall whose name is Signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 6th day of December 1853, hath acknowledged the Same before me in my City aforesaid

And I do also Certify that Lucinda Catharine Southall the wife of the Said Pleasant T Southall whose name is also signed to the Said writing bearing date as aforesaid personally appeared before me in the Said City and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her She the Said Lucinda Catharine Southall acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that She had willingly executed the Same and does not wish to retract it Given under my hand this Sixth day of December 1853

Herbert A Claiborne
Notary Public for City of Richmond

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 2nd 1854

This Deed was this day produced to me in my Said Office and with the Notary Publics Certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On January 13, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/504 Benjamin E. Wright and Lala R. Wright sold to Thomas N. Clarke their interest in 131-3/4 acres of land:

"This Deed made this 13th day of January 1854 between Benja: E Wright and Lala R his wife of the one part and Thomas N Clarke of the other part Witnesseth that the Said Benjamin E Wright and Lala R his wife for and in Consideration of the Sum of one hundred thirty two dollars to them in hand paid by the said Thomas N Clarke do Sell and convey unto the Said Thomas N Clarke all their right title and interest on a certain tract of land lying in the County of Essex being a part of the tract of land Known and called Allens Quarter which said tract of land was divided by a decree of the Circuit Superior Court of law and Chancery of Essex County pronounced in a suit pending in the Said Court in the name and Style of Owen against Allen, among the children and grandchildren of Thomas Allen decd and one hundred and thirty one and three fourths of an acre of Said land was allotted to the children of James Allen decd it being the Same land purchased by the Said Benja E Wright of Pleasant T Southall and wife as will more fully appear by deed bearing date the 6th day of December 1853 the boundaries of which said land may be seen by reference to the plot of Said division filed in the said Suit and a final decree in which said Suit was pronounced at the November Term of the Said Court in the year 1850 and the Said Benja E Wright and Lala R his wife warrant generally their interest in the Said tract of land to the Said Thomas N Clarke.

Witness the following Signatures and Seals

Benjamin E Wright
Lala R Wright

State of Virginia
Essex County to wit

I George F Ramsey a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Benjamin E Wright whose names is Signed to the within writing bearing date the 13th day of January 1854 has acknowledged the Same

before me in my County aforesaid. Given under my hand this 6th day of February 1854

G F Ramsey J.P.

State of Virginia
County of Essex to wit

We Edward L Wright and George F Ramsey Justices of the peace for the County of Essex in the State of Va do Certify that Lala R Wright the wife of Benjamin E Wright whose names are Signed to the writing hereunto annexed bearing date the 13th day of January 1854 personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her. She the Said Lala R. Wright acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that She had willingly executed the same and dose not wish to retract it Given under our hands this 6th day of February 1854

Edwd L Wright JP
G F Ramsey JP

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 2nd 1854

This Deed was this day produced to me in my Said Office and with the Justices certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On February 7, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/509 Benjamin E. Wright purchased from Walter G. Covington Bohannons Mill and related land, dam, and pond:

"This Deed made this 7th day of Feb in the year 1854 between Walter G Covington an Lucy E his wife of the one part and B E Wright of the other part: Witnesseth that the Said Walter G Covington and Lucy E his wife for and in consideration of the Sum of fourteen hundred and fifty dollars to them in hand paid by the Said Benjamin E Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted and by these presents do grant unto the Said Benjamin E Wright and his heirs forever the tract of land lying in the County of Essex bounded by the lands of Benjamin E Wright Thomas N Clarke and others including the land now overflowed by the pond of the Mill Known as Bohannons Mill, and the dam of the Said pond and the land upon which the houses attached to the Said Mill are located and surrounded and all of the said buildings and also one acre of land lying on the side of Said Mill bond not overflowed by water but attached and belonging to the tract hereby intended to be conveyed and also the two roads

leading to the Said Mill the one through the lands of the said Benjamin E Wright commencing at his gate on the road from Millers Tavern to Mount Zion meeting house running thence in front of the dwelling house of Said Benjamin E Wright to the Said Mill, the other commencing at the Mill and runing thence through the lands of the Said Benjamin E Wright Mrs Polly Crow, Obadiah Greenwood and Dr Jefferson Minor to the main road from Millers Tavern to St Pauls Church to be used as a means of going to and returning from Said Mill by all persons desiring to use the same and all other privileges appurtenances rights of way or of water courses to the said tract of land mill and mill pond appertaining or in any way belonging to have and to hold the Same to the Said Benjamin E Wright and his heirs or assigns forever free from the claims or demands of all persons and the said Walter G Covington and Lucy E his wife do hereby covenant with the said Benjamin E Wright that they will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed or intended to be conveyed Witness the following signatures and seals

W G Covington
Lucy E Covington

County of Essex to wit,

I R L Covington a justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Walter G Covington whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date the 7th day of Feby 1854 has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid

Given under my hand this 7th day of Feb: 1854

R L Covington JP

State of Virginia County of Essex to wit;

We R L. Covington and G F Ramsey Justices of the peace for the County of Essex in the State of Virginia do certify that Lucy E Covington the wife of Walter G Covington whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 7th day of Feb 1854 personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband, and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the Said Lucy E Covington acknowledged the Said writing to be her act and declared that She had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it

Given under ours hands this 7th day of Feb 1854

R L Covington JP
G F Ramsey JP

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 10th 1854

This Deed was this day produced in the Said Office and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste
H W Daingerfield DC
for James Roy Micon Clk

1856 January 15th Received the original deed recorded opposite hereto

Benj. E Wright"

On November 1, 1855, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/782 Benjamin E. Wright purchased from Obadiah A. Greenwood 20 acres of land:

"This Deed made the 1st day of November in the year 1855 between Obadiah A Greenwood and C his wife and Benjamin E Wright witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of five hundred dollars, paid to the Said Obadiah Greenwood by the said Benjamin E Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the Said Obadiah A Greenwood and Ann C his wife do grant unto the said Benjamin E Wright all that tract or parcel of land upon which the said Obadiah A Greenwood at present resides containing twenty acres bounded by the lands of the Said Benjamin E Wright Thomas N Clarke & others Witness the following signatures and Seals.

Obadiah A Greenwood
Ann C Greenwood

Essex County to wit

We Thomas N Clarke and Edward L Wright Justices of the peace for the Said County in the State of Virginia do Certify that Ann C Greenwood the wife of Obadiah A Greenwood whose names are Signed to the foregoing instrument bearing date on the 1st day of November 1855 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the Said writing duly explained to her by us, She has acknowledged that She had willingly executed the Same and does not wish to retract it

Given under our hands this 1st day of November 1855.

Thomas N Clarke JP
Edwd L Wright JP

Essex County to wit

I Thomas N Clarke, a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do Certify that Obadiah N Greenwood whose name is Signed to the foregoing writing bearing date on 1 day of November 1855 has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this ____

Thomas N Clarke JP

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 21st day of January 1856.

This deed was this day produced in Court and with the Justices Certificates annexed Ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed B. E. Wright with the following household on July 19, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
B E Wright	34	m		farmer	20000
L R Wright	26	f			
L R Wright Jr	8/12	f			
B E J Wright	10	m			
S R Wright	4	m			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
41700	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		

This record indicates that Benjamin Erasmus Wright was born in about 1826 and that Lalla Rookh (Robins) Wright was born in about 1834.

On February 15, 1867, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/574 Benjamin E. Wright executed a deed of trust to Thomas Croxton as to his land, personal property, and interests in estates to secure debts due to John J. Wright and Benjamin E. J. Wright:

> "This deed made and entered into this 15th day of Febuary 1867 between Benjamin E. Wright of the one part and Thos Croxton of the other part witnesseth, that whereas the said B. E. Wright is justly indebted to John J. Wright in the sum of Two Thousand five hundred dollars for medical services rendered by said John J Wright to said B E Wright and his family and to B E J Wright in the sum of two Thousand dollars, for hire of the Slaves of said B E J Wright from the year 1850 to the close of the war, which slaves were held and used by said B E Wright, as trustee for said B E J. Wright and for money received by said B E Wright as trustee aforesaid - which sums of money the said B E Wright is desirous of securing, regarding them as debts of higher dignity than any others he owes Now Therefore in consideration of the premises and of the further sum of five dollars in hand paid the said B. E. Wright, by the said Croxton, he the said B E Wright doth grant sell and Convey unto the said Croxton his tract of land lying in Essex county near Millers tavern, with the Mill property thereon, all his stock of Cattle, sheep, hogs, horses, mules, farming implements of all Kinds, household and Kitchen furniture all his interest in the estate of Mary Wright decd all his interest in the estate of Susan M Wright decd and one Thousand dollars of stock of the York River Rail road company in trust to secure first the sum due the said John J Wright and next the sum due the said B. E. J Wright. The said B E Wright to be permitted to occupy and use the property hereby granted until one or both of the creditors hereby intended to be secured shall require a sale thereof in which Event the said Croxton is hereby empowered to sell and dispose of said property hereby granted on the usual terms, that is, the real estate for one third cash and the residue on a credit of one and two years and the personal property for cash for all sums of ten dollars and under and on a credit of six months for the residue - Witness the following signatures and seals the day and year first herein Written
>
> Ben. E. Wright
>
> Essex County Court Clerks Office March 11th 1867. This Deed of Trust was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by Benjamin E. Wright the only party who has signed the same to be his act and deed and admitted to record as to him
>
> Teste
> James Roy Micon Clk

1867 March 25th Received the original trust deed recorded opposite & inclosed the same in a letter to B E Wright, sent by Jno S Williamson

Th. Croxton"

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin E. Wright with the following household on July 20, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Benjamin E Wright	45	M	W	Farmer	3,600
Sally R Wright	38	F	W	Keeping House	
Benjamin Wright	20	M	W	Farm Laborer	
Sally R Wright	10	F	W	Attending School	
Eliza C Wright	7	F	W	At Home	
Milly Wyatt	12	F	B	Domestic Servant	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
450	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			1	.
	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			.	1

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Benjamin Erasmus Wright was born in about 1825 and that Lalla Rookh (Robins) Wright was born in about 1832.

On May 31, 1872, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 52/526 Benjamin E. Wright acted as trustee on a marriage property settlement for Matilda R. Wright:

"This Deed made this 31st day of May 1872, between John Haile of the first part, Matilda R Wright of the second part and B. E Wright of the third part, all of the County of Essex and State of Virginia - Whereas the said Matilda R Wright is possessed of and entitled to certain real and personal property hereinafter mentioned, and whereas a Marriage is agreed upon and intended to be shortly had and solemnized by and between the said John Haile and the said Matilda R Wright, and whereas it is agreed upon by and between the said Jno. Haile and the said Matilda R Wright, that the said Matilda R Wright should notwithstanding her intended marriage, have, hold, enjoy and possess, the real and personal property hereinafter mentioned and described, with all and every the rights, titles, interests and profits of, in and to the same, free and separated from all claims or demands of the said Haile arising from the consummation of the above marriage, and free from all liability for his contracts debts or engagements - Now this Deed, witnesseth, that in consideration of the said intended marriage, and the further consideration of five dollars to said Matilda R Wright in hand paid by the said B. E. Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, she the said Matilda R Wright with the consent and approbation of the said John Haile, testified by his being a party to and sealing and delivering these presents, doth grant bargain sell assign and transfer unto the said B. E Wright the following property to wit, a tract of land in the County of Essex containing four hundred acres, more or less Known as "Retreat" on which she at present resides all of her right title and interest in her grandfathers estate, twelve head of cattle, ten head of sheep, and all other live stock, farming implements and household and Kitchen furniture and all other property of the said Matilda R Wright of whatever nature and whether in possession remainder or expectancy - To have and to hold the said property unto the said B. E Wright his executors administrators and assigns - But nevertheless upon the trusts and for the interests and purposes following, that is to say; that the said B E Wright shall hold and manage the said property to and for the sole and separate use benefit and disposal of said Matilda R Wright notwithstanding her said marriage and receive the rents issues and profits and interests thereon from time to time as they become due and payable, and that the same in no manner whatsoever shall be subject to the control or disposition of him the said John Haile her intended husband or be liable for his debts, contracts or engagements that the said B. E Wright shall pay over to the said Matilda R Wright, the rents issues, profits and interests arising from the said property and whatever money may be realized by him from time to time from any source, and at the death of the said Matilda R Wright the property aforesaid or so much thereof as may remain is to be equally divided among the children of the said Matilda R Wright, if any and the descendants of such as may be dead, the descendants of such as may be dead, the descendants taking the share of their deceased parent, and if no children nor their descendants, then the said Matilda R Wright shall have power to dispose of said property by writing in the

nature of a last Will and testament to any person or persons she may think proper to appoint to take the same, and in default of such appointment the same shall pass according to the laws of descents and distributions of the State of Virginia. But it is hereby distinctly understood and provided, that should the said Matilda R Wright, at any time hereafter desire to sell any part of the property aforesaid and invest the proceeds thereof in other property, the said B E Wright or whoever may hereafter be substituted in his stead, shall on being requested in writing by the said Matilda R Wright sell the said property, and make such investments as may be requested, the property purchased to be held upon the same limitations trusts and conditions as the property sold. Witness the following signatures & Seals

Jno. Haile
M R Wright
B. E Wright

State of Virginia Essex County to wit

I, Henry W Latane a Justice of the peace of the County and State aforesaid, do hereby Certify, that John Haile and Matilda R Wright, whose names are signed to the foregoing writing bearing date on this day, personally appeared before me in my said County, and severally acknowledged the said writing to be their act. Given under my hand this 31st day of May 1872

H W Latane J.P.

Essex County to wit

I, Henry W Latane a Justice of the peace of the County of Essex State of Virginia, do hereby Certify, that B. E Wright whose name is signed to the foregoing writing bearing date the 31st day of May 1872, personally appeared before me in the said County and acknowledged the said writing to be his act - Given under my hand the 31st day of May 1872

H W Latane J.P.

Essex County Court Clerks Office June 14th 1872

This Deed of marriage settlement was this day produced to me, in my said Office, duly stamped with a United States Revenue Stamp of the value of Two dollars, which is cancelled, and with the Justices Certificate annexed, admitted to record

Teste"

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lalla R Wright with the following household on June 8, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Lalla R Wright	W	F	48		Mother
Lalla R Wright	W	F	20		Daughter
Eliza C Wright	W	F	17		Daughter
Kate Lawson	B	F	16		Servant
Evalin McCrey	B	F	55		Servant

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
W		Farmer		
S		.		
S		.		
S		Servant		
W		Laborer		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

This record indicates that Lalla Rookh (Robins) Wright was born in about 1828. The absence of Benjamin Erasmus Wright from the household is consistent with his death on March 11, 1876.

The marriage record of Lalla R. Wright and Charles S. Smith dated November 17, 1881, at Essex County, Virginia, listed her parents as Benjamin E. Wright and Lalla R. Wright and her age as 21, indicating a date of birth in about 1860.

The will of L. R. Wright was dated on August 7, 1887, probated on October 17, 1887, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/481, and provided as follows:

"In this my last Will I leave to my daughter Eliza C Wright my whole landed estate, the be used by her during her life time as she chooses, and disposed of her in the same manner at death. I have specified such of my particular personal property as I wish each one of my children to have. The rest to be sold for debts, if enough for that purpose my children will see that they are paid. If an executor is necessary I appoint my friend Mr S P Latane.

Woodville August 7" 1887.

L R Wright

In Essex County Court October 17th 1887.

A Writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of L R Wright late of this County diseased was this day presented to the Court, and there being no subscribing witnesses to the said Will Thomas Croxton and C M Smoot were sworn and severally deposed that they are well acquainted with the handwriting of the said L R Wright deceased and truly believe that the said Will and the signature thereto subscribed are wholly in the handwriting of the said L R Wright deceased. Whereupon the same is ordered to be recorded as the true last will and testament of the said L R Wright deceased. And on the motion of S P Latane the only executor named in the last will who made Oath as the law directs, and entered into a bond in the penalty of Three hundred dollars Conditioned according to law with H N Latane his surety therein who justified on oath as to this sufficiency and which said bond being acknowledged by the obligors therein is ordered to be recorded Certificate is granted the said S P Latane for obtaining probat of said Will in due form

Verified Oct 21" 1887	)	Teste
H. G. CC	)	H. Southworth C.C."

This record indicates that Lalla Rookh (Robins) Wright died between August 7 and October 17, 1887, in Essex County, Virginia.

On September 17, 1891, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/698 the inventory and appraisement of the estate of L. R. Wright dated November 26, 1887, was filed:

"We the appraisers having been duly sworn make the following report of the property appraised by us of Mrs L. R. Wright deceased on the 26th day of November 1887

One For Robe	5.00
" Ward "	8.00
" Clock	3.00
" Arm chair	.25

" Flag "	.50
" Mahoganny dining tabe	8.00
" Marble slab table	5.00
" Rocking chair	3.00
Two carpet bottom ch	4.00
One Scotch carpet	5.00
Two Rugs	2.50
One Work stand	3.00
" Bureau upstairs	5.00
Two carpet bottom chairs	1.10
Three flag chairs	1.25
One Pitcher and 2 wash basons	1.50
" Black trunk	2.50
Twelve silver forks and butter Knife	20.00
Six tablespoons	12.50
Six tea "	3.00
Three salt spoons and sugar tongs	1.50
Six table knives 1st ch	4.00
" " " 2nd ch	2.00
One pair Andirons	1.50
Lounge tick and cover	1.00
Carving Knife and fork	1.00
Lamps	.50
Feather pillow	.50
Two chambers	1.00
Rag carpet 2nd ch	2.50
" " 1st "	3.00
One press	4.10
" tin safe	1.00
Three blue edge dishes	1.00
Two deep dishes	.40
" white bowls	.60
Two " plates	.50
Three tin pans	.20
Two one gal jugs	.40
One half gal jug	.25
" four " "	.40
Two one " "	.50
Twelve glass fruit cans	1.00
One sausage grinder	1.50
" Ice cream freezer	1.50
" Cullinder	.10
Lot of old bottles	.50
One grubbin hoe	.25
" hatchet	.25

" Big iron pot	1.50
Lot of old harness	.25
One prong fork	.25
" Corn Sheller	2.00
Eleven bu. of wheat	6.60
One milk cow	12.00
" Calf	7.00
" Cutting axe	.25
One Bead stead	2.50
" feather bed	12.50
Two " pillows and bolsters	2.50
One shuck mattress	1.25
" wash stand	.50
Two flag chairs	.80
One side board	5.00
Two wash pitchers	.50
Six wh plates	.50
Two covered dishes	.75
Four wh "	1.50
Eight breakfast plates	.50
One sugar dish	.25
" tea pot	.75
" Ivory and wh bowl	.40
Two pickle and one butter dish	.30
One sifter and butter cover	.25
" Bread tray	.40
Seven wh. cups and saucers	1.00
Twelve gilt edge plates	1.00
Two cake dishes	.50
One wh. bowl	.15
Twelve jelly plates	.60
Five goblets	.25
Two preserve dishes	.25
One dinner bell	.20
" waiter	.50
" Table	.50
" "	1.00
" large clothes chest	1.00
Lot of shucks @ $1.50 pr. Cord	
" " Sheaved oats	.50
One stack of straw	.50
Bbs of corn on the year @ $2.50 pr. bb	9.00

Two stacks of fodder	9.00
" " top "	1.75
	206.55

C L Lewis
John L Johnson
J. T. Harmon

I, E M Ware Comr. of accounts for the County Court of Essex County do hereby certify that the foregoing appraisement of the personal property of L. R Wright has been examined by me, found correct and is Certified under my hand as Comr. foresaid this 17th day of September 1891

C. M. Ware, Comr

In Essex County Court Clerk's office.
September 17th 1891.

This appraisement was this day returned by the Commissioner of accounts of the County Court of said County and admitted to record.

Teste: H. Southwarch clerk"

The marriage record of Eliza C. Wright and John R. Haile dated August 21, 1895, listed her parents as Erasmus Wright and L. R. Robins and her age as 32, indicating a date of birth in about 1863.

The marriage record of B. J. Wright and Mary L. Kield dated January 29, 1896, at Essex County, Virginia, listed the parents as Benjamin E. Wright and Rebecca Spindle and his age as 45, indicating a date of birth in about 1851.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated Benjamin Erasmus Wright was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and Susan F. (Jones) Wright, married first Sarah Rebecca Spindle in 1844, married second Lalla Rook Robins, and that Benjamin Erasmus Wright and Sarah Rebecca (Spindle) Wright had the following child:

1) Benjamin Jones Wright, born in 1851,

and that Benjamin Erasmus Wright and Lalla Rook (Robins) Wright had the following children:

1) Sarah Roane Wright, born in 1856,

2) Eliza (Wright) Haile, born on April 18, 1863, and

3) Lalla Rook Robins (Wright) Smith.

vi. 1827 ____ Wright

1827 ____ Wright of Essex County was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and ____ (____) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1850 George[4])

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

a son born dead 9 Novr. 1827

. . . ."

vii. 1845 ____ Wright

1845 ____ Wright of Essex County was a son of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and ____ (____) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1850 George[4])

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Geo. Wrights children a son born dead March 5th 1845 by M. B. W.

. . . ."

viii. Mary Susan (Wright) Sale, Her Husband Benjamin L. Or S. Sale, And Her Descendants

Mary Susan (Wright) Sale was a daughter of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and Mary B. (Spindle) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1850 George[4])

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Mary Susan daughter of Geo & M. B. Wright November 16. 1846

. . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Benjamin Erasmus Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mrs. Lucy Hunter Cardwell of Lynchburg, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
Births

. . . .

Mary Susan Wright daughter of Geo & Mary B. Wright was born 6th Nov 1846

Marriages

. . . .

Mary Susan Wright daughter of Geo & Mary B. Wright was marrid to Capt. B. L. Sale Dec 1870

. . . ."

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright in the George Wright household on August 17, 1850, and her age as 3 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed M. S. Wright in the Mary B. Wright household on July 4, 1860, and her age as 13 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

<u>The Ninth Virginia Cavalry</u> stated as follows with regard to Benjamin L. Sale:

"SALE, BENJAMIN L.: Enl. 6/10/61 in Co. F, age 19. Student. AWOL, Aug.-Oct. 1862. Furnished J.T. Layton as substitute 1/1/63."

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mollie Wright in the Mary B. Wright household on July 4, 1860, and her age as 24 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

The marriage redord of Mary S. Wright and Benjamin S. Sale was dated on December 24, 1872, in Essex County, Virginia:

"Date: Dec 24, 1872
Place: Essex County
Husb's Name: Benjamin L Sale
Wife's Name: Mary S Wright
Race:
Husb's Age: 31
Wife's Age: 25
Husb's Cond:
Wife's Cond: Single
Husb Born:
Wife Born:
Husb's Res: Essex County Va
Wife's Res: Essex County
Husb's Parents: Dandridge Sale and Mary E. Junday
Wife's Parents: Col. George Wright Mary B Spindle
Husb's Occupation: Farmer
Minister: Wm A. Baynham"

Virginia, Marriages, 1785-1940 listed the marriage of Mary S. Wright and Benjamin L. Sale on December 24, 1872, in Essex County, Virginia:

"Groom's Name:	Benj. L. Sale
Groom's Birth Date:	1841
Groom's Birthplace:	Essex Co., Va.
Groom's Age:	31
Bride's Name:	Mary S. Wright
Bride's Birth Date:	1847
Bride's Birthplace:	Essex Co., Va.
Bride's Age:	25
Marriage Date:	24 Dec 1872
Marriage Place:	Essex County, Virginia
Groom's Father's Name:	Dandridge Sale
Groom's Mother's Name:	Mary C. Munday
Bride's Father's Name:	George Wright
Bride's Mother's Name:	Mary B. Spindle
Groom's Race:	White
Groom's Marital Status:	
Groom's Previous Wife's Name:	
Bride's Race:	White
Bride's Marital Status:	
Bride's Previous Husband's Name:	
Indexing Project (Batch) Number:	M86860-1

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The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed B. L. Sale with the following household on June 19, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
B. L. Sale	W	M	38	.	.
Mary S Sale	W	F	32	.	Wife
George D Sale	W	M	6	.	Son
William Sale	W	M	5	.	Son
Infant Sale	W	F	1/12	Apr.	daughter
Ann Bundy	Mu	F	16	.	Servant

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unem-ployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Farmer		
M		Keeping house		
S		.		
S		.		
S		.		
S		house servant		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
	1	1	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

This record indicates that Mary Susan (Wright) Sale was born in about 1848 and that Benjamin L. Sale was born in about 1842.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated Mary Susan Wright was a daughter of 1850 George Wright of Essex County and Susan F. (Jones) Wright and married Benjamin Sale in 1872.

b. 1856 Thomas Wright Of Holmes County, Mississippi, His Wives Mary D. "Polly" (Jones) Wright, Mary Elizabeth (Shepherd) Wright, Ann Maria (Garnett) (Noel) Wright, And Jennette Stoddard (Kirkham) Wright, And His Descendants

1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County, Virginia, which was in 1989 in the possession of Wright Gouldin of Tappahanock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for 1856 Thomas Wright:

"Family Record
Marriages
. . . .

Thomas Wright Jr. and Mary D. Jones were married on Wednesday the 21st of February 1821

Thomas Wright Jr. and Mary E. Shepherd were married on Thursday 22nd September 1825

Thomas Wright Jr. and Mrs. Ann M. Noel were married on Tuesday the 15th May 1827
. . . .

Births
. . . .
Selden Stuart Wright son of Thomas Wright Jr. and Mary D. his wife (daughter of Capt. John Jones decd) was born the 7th day of March 1822

Sally Waller Wright daughter of the same was born on monday night the 8th of September 1823

Thomas Wright (Younger) son of Thos Wright Jr and Mary E his wife was born 22nd June 1826

Thomas Wright Junr was born Apr 23rd 1797
. . . .

Deaths
. . . .

Mary D. Wright wife of Tho Wright Jr departed this life on Wednesday the 10th day of September 1823

Mary E. Wright 2nd wife of Thomas Wright Jr departed this life on the morning of the 30th June 1826

Sally Waller Wright daughter of Thos. Wright Jr and Mary D. his Wife departed this life 26th June 1826
. . . .

Thomas Wright Jr departed this life April 19th 1856
. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
Marriages
. . . .
Thomas Wright Jr to Mary Jones 21st Feby 1821
. . . .

Births
. . . .
Thomas Wright 23rd April 1797
. . . .
Mary D. Jones 4 Octo. 1805
. . . .
Selden Stuart Wright 7 Mar 1822
Sally Waller Wright 8th Sept. 1823
. . . .

Deaths
. . . .
Mary D. Wright 10th Sepr. 1823
. . . .
Sally Waller Wright June 26. 1826
. . . .

Births

Thomas Shepherd Wright	June	1826
Mary Elizabeth Wright	May	1828
Louisa Virginia Wright	Jany 28	1830
Emily Matilda Wright	Dec 19	1833
Ann Garnett Wright	January 7	1836
Jennette Stoddard Wright	July 18	1820
Thomas Wright & Jennette Stoddard Kirkham married	6 Nov.	1846

Thomas Wright & his wife & his two daughters Emily Matilda & Ann Garnett took the Mary Washington Steam Boat for Mississippi at Layters on the 29th November 1848"

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

Marriages
Thomas Wright Jr and Mary D. Jones of Essex County Va married wednesday night 21st Feby 1821

Same to Mary E. Shepherd of Msup (?) Cty 22nd Sept. 1825.

Same to Mrs Anne M. Noel wdw Dr. Jas. H. Noel who was Ann M. Garnett 15th May 1827.

Same to Jeunette S. Kirkham of Springfield Massa friday 6th Nov. 1846

Austin M Trible and Mary E. Wright daughter of Thomas Wright and Ann M. his wife married 1st May 1845.

Gray Boulware Jr. and Virginia Louisa, daughter of same, 21st April 1846.

Selden Stuart Wright son of Thomas Wright and Mary D. Wife to Janna Maynerd Shaw, daughter of O A Shaw esq. 15th Oct. 1846 all of Missi

Thomas Shepherd Wright son of Thomas Wright and Mary D his wife and Mary E Walton of Holmes County Missi, 15th June 184_,

John P. Povall and Emily M. Wright daughter of Thomas Wright & Ann M his wife all of Holmes Cty. Missi 28th September 1852

Births
Thomas Wright son of Thomas Wright & Mary his wife of Poplar Grove Essex County Va born 23d April 1797

Selden Stuart Wright son of Thomas Wright & Mary D. his wife born 7th Mar. 1822

Sally Waller Wright daughter same born 8th Sept. 1823

Thos. Shepherd Wright son of T Wright & Mary D his wife, born 22nd June 1826

Mary Elizabeth daughter of T Wright & Ann M. his wife 20th May 1828

Virginia Louisa daughter T Wright & Ann M. his wife 28th January 1830

Ann Marie Garnett Wright daughter same, born 6th Sept. 1832

Emily Matilda Wright daughter same born 19th Decemr 1833

Ann Garnett Wright daughter same born 7th Jany 1836

Kirkham Brantley Wright son of T. Wright and Jennette S. his wife born at Mt. Auburn Holmes Cty Missi thursday abt 10 oclock 5th September 1850

Mary Stuart Wright daughter of S. S. Wright & Joanna his wife 17th August 1847

Thomas Walton Wright son of T. Shepherd Wright and Mary E his wife 14th Septr 1848

Robert Walker Wright son of Selden Stuart & Joanna his wife 27th Sept. 1848

Selden Stuart son of same tuesday 5th Nov. 1850

James Benton, son T. S Wright and Mary E. his wife 1st Feby 1851

Mary Shepherd, daughter of T S Wright and Mary his wife born May 30th 1852

Ann Brooke Wright daughter Selden S. and Joanna his wife January 9th 1853

Deaths
Mary D. Wright wife of Thomas Wright departed this life 10th Septr 1823

Sally Waller Wright daughter of T. Wright & Mary D. his wife 26th June 1826

Mary E. Wright wife of T. Wright Jr. 30th June 1826

Ann Maria Garnett Wright daughter T. Wright Jr & Ann M. his wife, 12th Septr 1833

Thomas Wright senr of Poplar Grove Mar 31st 1840

Ann M Wright wife of Thomas Wright 17th Octr 1844

Jennette S Wright wife of same 27th Novem 1851

Mary E. ____ daughter of T. Wright & Ann M. his wife 12th March 1846

Virginia Louisa Boulware daughter same 16th April 1849

Robert Walker Wright son of S. S. & Joanna his wife Thursday 11th July 1850

Colo. George Wright brother to T. Wright 29th Nov. 1850 of Essex County Va

Colo. James Wright brother same 20th April 1849

Ann G. Wright of T W. & Ann M. his wife 24th Sept 1853"

These three Family Bible records indicate that Thomas Wright was born on April 23, 1797, married first Mary D. Jones on February 21, 1821, married second Mary E. Shepherd on September 22, 1825, married third Ann M. (Garnett) Noel on May 15 , 1827, married fourth Jennette S. Kirkham on November 6, 1846, moved to Mississippi on November 29, 1848, and died on April 19, 1856, that Mary D. (Jones) Wright was born on October 4, 1805, and died on September 10, 1823, that Mary E. (Shepherd) Wright died on June 30, 1826, that Ann M. (Garnett) (Noel) Wright died on October 17, 1844, that Jennette Stoddard (Kirkham) Wright was born on July 18, 1820, and died on November 27, 1851, and that Thomas Wright and Mary D. (Jones) Wright had the following children:

1) Selden Stuart Wright, born on March 7, 1822, and
2) Sally Waller Wright, born on September 8, 1823, and

that Thomas Wright and Mary E. (Shepherd) Wright had the following child:

1) Thomas Wright, Jr., born on June 22, 1826, and

that Thomas Wright and Ann M. (Garnett) (Noel) Wright had the following children:

1) Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Trible, born on May 20, 1828,

2) Louisa Virginia (Wright) Boulware, born on January 28, 1830,

3) Ann Marie Garnett Wright, born on September 6, 1832, and died on September 12, 1833,

4) Emily Matilda (Wright) Povall, born on December 19, 1833, and

5) Ann Garnett Wright, born on January 7, 1836, and

that Thomas Wright and Jennette Stoddard (Kirkham) Wright had the following children:

1) Kirkham Brantley Wright, born on September 5, 1850, at Mount Auburn, Holmes County, Mississippi.

The 1817 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household on April 3:

Date of Receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Charged with the Tax	White males over 16 years old	Slaves over 16 years old	Slaves of the age of 12 & under 16 years old
April 3	Thos Wright Jr	1		

Horses	Stud horses No. $ Cts	2 Wheeled riding Carriages & harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $100	Exceeding in value $100	Phaetons, Stage Waggons and harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $200	Exceeding in value $200

Coaches and Harness belonging thereto Not exceeding in value $300	Exceeding in value $300	Total amt of Tax $ cts

The 1820 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household on April 3:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tzxes	White males above 16 years old	Blacks above 12 years old	Blacks above 16 years old
	Thomas Wright Jr	1		

Horses mares Colts & Mules	Ordinary License	License for keeping private entertainment	Wholesale & retail Merchants	Retail Merchants	Free Negroes & Mulattoes
1					

Stud Horses Jack Asses	Rate of Covering p season	Carriage Wheels: Coaches Chariots & Post Chaises	Other four Wheeled riding Carriages	2 Wheeled riding Carriages	Sum Total Taxes
					.18

The marriage record of Thomas Wright, Jr., and Mary Jones was dated on February 19, 1821, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Know All Men By These Presents, That We Thos Wright, Jr. & Geo. Wright are held and firmly bound unto his excellency Thomas Mann Randolph Governor or Chuief Magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, for the time being and to his successors in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the payment whereof well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs, Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents, Sealed with our Seals and Dated this 19th day of Feby 1821 and in the 45th Year of the Commonwealth.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound Thomas Wright Jr. Bachelor & Miss Mary Jones Now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue

Signed, Sealed and delivered in presence of Peter J. Derieux"

Thos. Wright Jr
Geo. Wright

The 1821 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household on April 1:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
April 1	Thomas Wright Jr			

Two Wheeled riding Carriages and Harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons and Harness		Riding Carriages and Harness		
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding value $300	Above the value of $300	Amount of Tax

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household on March 18:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
March 18	Thomas Wright Jr.	5	2		

Two wheeled riding Carriages and harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Carryall, Jersey waggons and harness
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	
1	$80			

Riding Carriages and harness				
Not exceeding value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding $300 value	Above the value of $300	Amount of Tax
				3.42

On April 19, 1822, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 40/369 Thomas Wright, Jr., purchased from John Brown 102½ acres of land:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 19th day of April One thousand eight hundred and twenty two Between John Brown of the County of Essex of the first part and Thomas Wright Jr. of the said County of the other part. Witnesseth that the said John Brown for and in consideration of the sum of Eight hundred and twenty two dollars & thirty four cents to him in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright Jr. at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof he the said John Brown doth hereby acknowledge hath granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell and convey to the said Thomas Wright Jr. his heirs and assigns &c. a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex and State of Virginia being a part of the tract of land conveyed to the said John Brown by Silas M Noel and Maria his wife of the State of Kentucky by deed bearing date the 10th day of February one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, and recorded in Essex County Court the 20th day of February 1815, the tract of land hereby intended to be conveyed to the said Thomas Wright Jr. containing by a late survey made by William Fisher, One hundred and two and one half acres be the same more or less and bounded as follows. Beginning at the Letter A as represented in the plat of the said survey, a pine Stump near the side of Warings old Mill pond on Hoskin's Creek, thence up said old pond 140 po: to B a small posimon corner to Ephraim Beazley, thence N 35° W 6½ poles to D a small white oak corner in E Beazley's line, thence N 48° W 11 po: to E a small gum corner in said Beazleys line, thence N 26° W 20 poles to F a red oak on the side of a branch, corner in sd. Beazleys line, thence up sd. branch 77½ poles to G corner to Jane Dunn near a large Spanish Oak thence N 30° E 120 po to H a corner in said Dunn's line on the side of a branch, thence down sd. branch 130 poles to I a small birch corner in said Thomas Wrights line, thence S 25° E 23 poles to K an unmarked corner near several peach trees, and corner to the Mill seat, thence S 62° W 16½ poles to the above named Stump. To have and to hold, the said tract or parcel of land together with all and singular its improvements, ways, waters, remainder and remainders, reversion and reversions, profits, hereditaments, appendages and appurtenances whatever thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use and behoof of the said Thomas Wright Jr. his heirs and assigns forever, and the said John Brown for himself his heirs &c doth hereby warrant the said land and premises to the said Thomas Wright Jr. his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claim and demand of every person and persons whatever and will by these presents forever defend and the said John Brown for himself his heirs &c doth hereby grant covenant and agree to and with the said Thomas Wright Jr., that he the said Thomas Wright Jr. shall at all times hereafter possess and enjoy the said land and premises against the lawful claim and demand of every person and persons whatever, and further that the said John Brown his heirs &c at the request and at the costs of the said Thomas Wright jr. his heirs &c will at any time hereafter do and execute or cause to be done and executed any farther or other act or thing reasonably to be required for the more perfect conveyance or assurance of the said land and premises to the said Thomas Wright Jr. his heirs and assigns. It is hereby

understood and consented to by the said Thomas Wright Jr that the said John Brown shall reserve a quarter of an acre of the tract or parcel of land hereby intended to be conveyed to the said Thomas Wright Jr. his heirs &c of that part now appropriated for a family Grave Yard. In Witness whereof the said John Brown hath hereunto signed his name and affixed his seal the day and year first herein written

The word corner interlined)		his
and the words "John)	John X	Brown
Brown" erased and the)		mark
words Thomas Wright jr)	Thos Wright Jr.	
substituted)		

Essex County Court Office 19th April 1822

This Deed from John Brown to Thomas Wright Jr. was this day acknowledged before me in the said Office by the said Brown and Wright to be their proper act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James R Micon DC for
Wm B. Matthews Clk

Truly Recorded
Teste
Will: B Matthews Clk"

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Thomas Wright, Jr., and Miss Jones with the following household on May 3:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
May 3	Thos Wright Jr Miss Jones	20	4		

Two wheeled riding Carriages and harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Carryall, Jersey waggons and harness
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	

Riding Carriages and harness				
Not exceeding value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding $300 value	Above the value of $300	Amount of Tax
				11.14

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household on March 17:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons names Chargeable with Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolls Cents
Mar 17	Thomas Wright Jr	3	2		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dolls Cents
1 gig $75 do & do $25 value	2.98

The 1823 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple or for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex		102½	Geo Wright &c

Distance & bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dolls Cents	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of eight cents for every $100 Value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
9 West	2.50		255.25	.21	Conveyed to you by John Brown

This record reflects the purchase in of 102½ acres of land by Essex County Deed 40/369.

Death Notices From Richmond, Virginia, Newspapers 1821- 1840 listed the following obituaries:

> "Died on 10th Inst. at her res. in Essex Co., Mrs. Mary D. Wright, wife of Thomas Wright, Jr., esq., age 18, leaving husband & 2 infants. Re, Oct. 3, 1823, p.3."

On January 15, 1824, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 41/94 John Cox, Jr., executed a deed of trust to Benjamin Wright as to certain personal property to secure a debt of $32:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 15th day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty four, Between John Cox Jr of the first part, Thomas Wright Jr of the second part and Benjamin Wright of the other part, Witnesseth that the said John Cox Jr for and in consideration of the sum of six shillings to him in hand paid by the said Benjamin Wright, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and for and in consideration of the wish of the said John Cox Jr fully to indemnify and secure the said Thomas Wright Jr in the debts wherewith the said John Cox Jr stands charged to the said Thomas Wright Jr to wit: a debt of Fifteen Dollars for the rent of a House and Garden the present year, and another of seventeen Dollars for the hire of a negro woman named Milly the same year, doth hereby for himself his heirs Exors or admors make over alienate, release, transfer and confirm unto the said Benjamin Wright his heirs Exors or admors the following property to wit; one Black Walnut Table, 1 pine dressing Table, 1 trunk, 1 Bed and furniture, 1 gun shovel and tongs, 1 sett Wood Ware 3 Glass Tumblers, 1 Glass Pitcher 2 Earthen Pitchers, 2 large Dishes, 2 smaller Do 2 dozen Plates 21 salt cellars 1 Decanter, 1 sett Castors, 2 Bowls, 1 spinning wheel 1 pair cards 1 iron pot, 1 Dutch oven 1 Waiter 1/2 doz Cups and Saucers 1/2 doz teaspoons 1/2 doz table Ditto 1/2 doz knives & forks, 1 small Looking Glass, 2 Pewter Basons, pr sad Irons, 1 chest 1 narrow ax, 1 wedding hoe, 1 Hilling Do all the working tools, 1 scythe Blade and cradle, turning lathe and tools thereto belonging 2 Bottles and two Jugs against the claim or claims of all persons whatsoever. Upon Condition nevertheless, that the said Benjamin Wright will suffer the said John Cox to remain in the peaceable possession thereof until required by the said Thomas Wright Jr to advertise and make sale of the same, who will upon such notification advertize and make sale of the property hereby intended to be conveyed to him for the purposes aforementioned or so much thereof as may be necessary to execute the purposes of this Indenture, by giving ten days notice of such sale at one or more public places and out of the proceeds of such sale first pay and satisfy the costs of recording this Indenture, and all legal and necessary expenditures and charges attending the sale, and the surplus remaining in the hands of the said Benjamin Wright after satisfying the intent of this Indenture he hereby binds

himself his heirs Exors or admors to pay to the said John Cox his heirs exors or admors. In Witness whereof the parties to these presents havehereunto signed their names and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written Interlined & before signed

John Cox
Thos. Wright Jr

Essex County Court Office Jany 29th 1824

This Deed of trust between John Cox Jr of the first part, Thomas Wright Jr of the second part and Benjamin Wright of the third part was this day produced to me in my Office and acknowledged by John Cox Jr and Thos. Wright Jr to be their proper act and deed and admitted to record as to them

Teste
Wm B Matthews Clk"

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household on March 15:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individual	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
Mar 15	Thomas Wright Jr	8	2		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dolls Cents
1 Gig $75 value	4.75

The 1824 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	In fee	102½	George Wright
" "	"	"	100	James Alexander
" "	"	"	200	William Fisher

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 cents for every $100 Value	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
9 West	2.50		255.25	.21	
3 West	5.16		516.00)	)	Allotted to you in right of your wife upon the division of the lands of Capt. John Jones decd.
1 do	16.00		3200.00)	2.97)	

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household on February 2:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No.	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
Feby 2	Thomas Wright Jr	8	4		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Amount of Tax Cents
1 gig $70 value	4.94	

The 1825 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	In fee	102½	Est Sthy Rennolds
" "	"	"	100	James Alexander
" "	"	"	200	Reuben L Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p Acre including Buildings	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total Value of the Land & Buildings	Amount of Tax at the rate of eigiht cents for every $100 Value	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 West	2.50		255.25	.21	
3 do	5.16		516.00)		
1 do	16.00		3200.00)	2.97	

On May 3, 1825, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 41/412 Thomas Wright, Jr., purchased from his brother George Wright and Susan F. Wright 130 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 3rd day of May One thousand Eight hundred and twenty five Between George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife of the County of Essex of the first part and Thomas Wright Jr of the said County of the other part, Witnesseth that the said George Wright and Susan F Wright his wife for and in consideration of the sum of One thousand Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright Jr at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted bargained, sold aliened released and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien, release and confirm unto the said Thomas Wright and his heirs forever all the right title claim interest and demand which the said George Wright and Susan F his wife have in and to a certain messuage, tenement, tract or parcel of land, situate lying and being in the said County of Essex containing by estimation One hundred and thirty acres be the same more or less bounded by the Lands of Edmund F Noel, Ephraim Beazley, Thomas Dunns Estate and others, it being the same land purchased by the said George Wright of Lemuel Crittenden and others hereafter mentioned - To Have and to hold all the right title, claim interest and demand which the said George Wright and Susan F his wife have in and to the said land and premises being the following to wit "the interest which Lemuel Crittenden the husband of Susanna Crittenden decd had in and to the land and premises hereby conveyed to which said Susanna Crittenden the said land was devised by her Father Benjamin Fisher decd, and held by the said Lemuel Crittenden as tenant by the Curtesy, and also all the claim interest and demand which William Crittenden and Polly his wife Richard N Callip and Sally his wife Richard Smith and Eliza his wife Richard Clarksen and Lorinda his wife, Lewis Crittenden and Benjamin F Crittenden held in and to the same Land and premises, which said William Crittenden, Sally Callip Eliza Smith Lorinda Clarkson Lewis Crittenden and Benjamin F Crittenden were children and heirs of the said Susanna Crittenden decd. and each entitled at the termination of the life estate of the said Lemuel Crittenden to one eighth part of the said land &c herein conveyed - To the only proper use and behoof of the said Thomas Wright Jr. his heirs &c free from all and every claim or demand which the said George Wright and Susan F his wife or their heirs and all and every person claiming by through

or under them have in and to the same and the said George Wright and Susan F his wife for themselves their heirs exors and admors do hereby covenant to and with the said Thomas Wright Jr. his heirs Exors admors and assigns to protect their right and interest herein conveyed to him the said Thomas Wright Jr and herein before set forth and particularly described against the claim or demand of all and every person or persons whatsoever - In Testimony whereof the said George Wright and Susan F his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written

Geo: Wright

Tappahannock - Essex Quarterly Court begun and held the 15th day of August 1825

This Deed from George Wright and Susan F his wife to Thomas Wright Jr was acknowledged in open Court by George Wright one of the parties thereto to be his proper act and deed, and ordered to be Recorded as to him

Teste
Wm B Matthews Clk"

On August 25, 1825, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 41/423 Thomas Wright, Jr., as trustee under a deed of trust, sold to Winter Bray the land of William Greenwod to pay debts due to Tandy Dix & Company.

The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household on April 1:

Apl 1	Thomas Wright Jr	3	3		

1 Gig $70 value	2.57

The 1826 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	In fee	232½	Est Streshly Rennolds
" "	"	"	100	James Alexander
" "	"	"	200	Reuben L Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land p acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land & Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 West	2.50	150	976.50	.79	130 acres in addition to quantity charged last year, Conveyed to you by George Wright & wife
3 ditto	5.16		516.00)		
1 do	16.00		3200.00)	2.97	

The increase in the acreage of the first parcel reflects the purchase of 130 acres of land by Essex County Deed 41/412.

Death Notices From Richmond, Virginia, Newspapers 1821- 1840 listed the following obituaries:

> "Died on 30th Ult. at Gales in Middlesex Co., at res. of Mrs. Ann Foster, Mrs. Mary E. Wright, age 23, wife of Thomas Wright of Essex Co. RE, Aug 8, 1826, p.3."

The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Horses Mares Asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
	Thomas Wright Jr	17	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and harness of Every Description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
1 gig $70 value	9.41	

The 1827 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following property:

Thomas Wright Jr.	Essex	fee	232½	Est S. Rennolds
" " "	"	life	100	Est J Alexander
" " "	"		200	R L Pitts

9 West	4.20	150	976.50	.79	
3 do	5.16		516.00)	2.97	
1 do	16.00		3200.00)		

The marriage record of Thomas Wright, Jr., and Ann M. Noel was dated on May 12, 1827, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Know All Men By These Presents, That We Thomas Wright Jr and George Wright are held and firmly bound unto his excellency William B. Giles Governor or Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the just and full sum of one hundred and fifty dollars; to which payment well and truly to be made to the said Governor and his successors, for the use of the said Commonwealth, we bind ourselves our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, Sealed with our seals and dated this 12th day of May 1827.

The Condition of the above obligation is such, That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound Thomas Wright Jr (widower) and Ann M Noel (widow) then the above obligation to be void; else to remain in full force and virtue,

Executed in pesence of Thomas Wright Jr
Geo. Wright

____ Sc.

____ this day appeared before me ____ Clerk of said ____ and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty Good, that the within named ____ is above the

age of twenty-one years, and resident of said ____ Given under my hand this __ day of ____ 182_"

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright	17	7		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 1 Ditto $70 value	10.03

The 1828 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	fee	232½	Est S Rennolds
" " "	"	life	100	Mrgt. Crouch
" " "	"		200	Reuben L Pitts
" " "	"		273¼	David W Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land & Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 cents every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 West	2.50	150	976.50	.79	273¾ acres in addition to quantity charged last year, acquired by your intermarriage with Mrs Ann M to Noel
3 ditto	5.16		516.00)		
1 do	16.00		3200.00)	2.97	
12 NW	8.00		2388.65	1.91	

This record reflects the acquisition of 273¼ acres of land by reason of Thomas Wright's marriage in 1827 to Ann M. Noel.

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts Mules &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Jr	17	7		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	8.60
1 Ditto $60 value	

The 1829 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Junr	Essex	fee	232½	Est S Rennolds
Same	"	life	100	Margarett Crouch
do	"	fee	200	Reuben L Pitts
do	"	fee	273¾	David W Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
9 West	4.20	150	976.50	.79	
3 do	5.16		516.00)		
1 do	16.00		3200.00)	2.97	
12 NW	8.00		2388.65	1.91	

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mares	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Jr	18	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $120 value	7.98

The 1830 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	fee	232½	Est S Rennolds
Same		life	100	Margarett Crouch
Same		fee	200	R L Pitts
Same		fee	273¾	D W Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
9 West	4.20	150	976.50	.79	
3 west	5.16		514.00)		
1 do	16.00		3200.00)	2.97	
12 NW	8.00	2000	2388.66	1.91	

The 1830 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Thomas Wright jr	1	30-40	1	20-30
	1	5-10	2	0-5

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
2	36-55	1	55-100				
4	24-36	3	24-36				
2	10-24	6	10-24				
8	0-10	8	0-10				

	White Persons included in the foregoing				
Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
39					

Slaves and Colored Persons included in the foregoing			
Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses Mares, asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright jr	18	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $100	5.86

The 1831 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	fee	232½	Est S Rennolds
Same		life	100	M Crouch
Same		fee	200	R L Pitts
Same		fee	273¾	D W Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 West	4.20	150	976.50	.79	
3 do	5.16		516.00)		
1 do	16.00		3200.00)	2.97	
12 NW	8.00	2000	2388.66	1.91	

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright jr	18	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $100	5.86

The 1832 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	fee	232½	Est S Rennolds
Same		life	100	M Crouch
Same		fee	200	R L Pitts
Same		fee	273¾	David W Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 West	4.20	150	976.50	.79	
3 do	5.16		516.00)		
1 do	16.00		3200.00)	2.97	
12 NW	8.00	2000	2388.66	1.91	

On July 2, 1832, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 44/9 Thomas Wright, Jr., sold to Lawrence Roane 43 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 2d day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty two between Thomas Wright Jr of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the first part and Lawrence Roane of the same County and State of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Thomas Wright Jun for andin Consideration of the sum of six hundred and forty five dollars to him in hand paid by the said Lawrence Roane before the signing and sealing of these presents the receipt whereof the said Thomas Wright Jun. doth hereby acknowledge and thereof and every part and parcel thereof doth clearly exonerate and acquit the said Lawrence Roane his heirs executors and administrators He the said Thomas Wright Jr hath granted bargained sold aliened released enfeoffed and Confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain sell alien release enfeoff and Confirm unto the said Lawrence Roane his heirs and assigns forever all that certain tract or parcel of land with the appurtenances thereunto belonging situate lying and being in the County of Essex and Parish of South Farnham Containing forty three acres more or less it being that portion of the land called Dykes allotted to the said Thomas Wright Jun. in the division of the lands devised by the late Capt John Jones of Essex County to his dauthers Kitty, Polly and Sarah; bounded as follows to wit: beginning at a stake in the main road leading from Loyds to Tappahannock corner to the estate called Windsor now in the possession and occupancy of Mrs Martha Muse running thence down and with the said road 46 poles to a stake in sd road a new made corner between the said Thomas Wright Jun and the lands of the said Lawrence Roane which he holds in right of his wife Sarah who before marriage was Sarah Ann Jones a daughter and one of the devisees of said John Jones decd running thence 44 degrees West 154 poles to a procoson on Beaver dam, thence up the said procosan or Beaver dam so as equally to divide the same between Doct: Austin Brockenbrough and the tract hereby Conveyed to a corner where it intersects with the said Windsor estate thence South 44 degrees E 149 poles to the beginning and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders of all and singular the said tract or parcel of land hereby granted and every part and parcell thereof and all the rents issues services and profits to the

same or any part or parcel thereof incident belonging or appertaining and also all and every the estate and estates rights titles claims interests and demands whatsoever of him the said Thomas Wright Jun. and his heirs and of all and every person and persons whatsoever. To have and To hold the said parcel or tract of land and all other the premises hereby granted bargained and sold and every part and parcel thereof with their and every of their appurtenances unto the said Lawrence Roane and his heirs and assigns forever, and to and for their only proper use and behoof. And the said Thomas Wright J doth for himself his heirs executors and administrators covenant to and with the said Lawrence Roane that he the said Thomas Wright J his heirs executors and administrators, the said tract of land and premises hereby granted and every part and parcel thereof with all and singular their and every of their rights members and appurtenances unto the said Laurence Roane his heirs and assigns against him the said Thomas Wright J his heirs and assigns and against all and every person and persons whatsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. And the said Thomas Wright J for himself his heirs executors and administrators and for every of them doth Covenant and grant to and with the said Lawrence Roane his heirs and assigns and to and with every of them by these presents in manner and form following to wit: that he the said Laurence Roane his heirs and assigns and every of them from time to time lawfully may, and at all and every times hereafter shall and may have hold, occupy, use possess and enjoy all and singular the said tract of land and premises and every part and parcel thereof with all and singular their and every of their appurtenances and all and every the rents issues and profits and Commodities thereof arising accruing and growing to have receive and take without any manner of let, suit, trouble vexation eviction disturbance or other hindrance or molestation whatsoever for by the said Thomas Wright J his heirs or assigns or by any other person or persons whatsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the said Tract of land and premises or any part or parcel thereof. And also that if the said Laurence Roane his heirs or assigns shall at any time hereafter be lawfully evicted or dispossessed of the said parcel or tract of land or any part thereof, that he the said Thomas Wright Jun his heirs executors or administrators will pay to the said Laurence Roane his heirs or assigns the full value of so much thereof as he may be thereof lawfully evicted or dispossessed the said value to be estimated at the time of such eviction or dispossession and also ten per Centum to be added thereto: and moreover that he the said Thomas Wright Jun and his heirs shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter during the space of twenty one years next ensuing the date hereof upon every reasonable request and at the proper Costs and charges of the said Laurence Roane his heirs and assigns make do and execute or cause to be made done and executed all and every such other lawful and reasonable acts Conveyances and assurances in the law for the further, better, more perfect and absolute, granting Conveying and assuring of the said tract or parcel of land with its appurtenances unto the said Laurence Roane his heirs and assigns forever as by the said Laurence Roane his heirs and assigns or by his or their Counsel learned in the law shall be reasonably advised devised

or required. In Witness whereof the said Thomas Wright Jr hath hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first herein written

2d page 36" line the word "that" interlined before signed. Signed sealedand delivered in presence of) Thos Wright Jr
Wm Bell J
Dandridge Sale
Bn D Pitts

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 16" day of July 1832. This Indenture was acknowledged by Thomas Wright Jr to be his proper act and deed and Ordered to be recorded.

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

1834 January Rievd the original Deed as recorded opposite

Lawr: Roane"

On January 3, 1833, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 44/156 Thomas Wright, Jr., and Ann M. Wright sold to Thomas Wright, Sr., 130 acres of land:

"This Indenture made the 3d day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three between Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the first part and Thomas Wright Senr of the same County and State of the other part - Witnesseth that the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife for and in consideration of the sum of One thousand four hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright Senr at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged and from the payment of which the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife do by these presents acquit exonerate and Wright Jr and Ann M his wife have granted bargained and sold aliened released enfeoffed and Confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release and Confirm unto the said Thomas Wright Senr his heirs and assigns forever all the right title claim interest and demand which they the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife have in and to a Certain messuage tenement parcel or tract of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex and State aforesaid Containing by estimation one hundred and thirty acres be the same more or less bounded by the lands of Edmund F Noel Ephraim Beazley, Thomas Dunns estate and others, it being the same land Conveyed by George Wright and Susan F his wife to the said Thomas Wright Jr by deed bearing date the 3d day of May One thousand eight hundred and twenty five and duly recorded in the

Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex and is the same land purchased by the said George Wright of Lemuel Crittenden and others of which said land the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife Convey the following interest to wit the interest which Lemuel Crittenden the husband of Susannah Crittenden decd. held in and to the land aforesaid the said Lemuel being tenant by the Curtesy and entitled to a life estate therein and also all the claim interest and demand which William Crittenden and Polly his wife Richard N Callip and Sally his wife Richard Smith and Eliza his wife Richard Clarkson and Lorinda his wife, Lewis Crittenden and Benjamin F Crittenden held in and to the same land, the said William Crittenden, Sally Callip Eliza Smith Lorinda Clarkson, Lewis Crittenden and Benjamin F Crittenden being children and heirs of of the said Susanna Crittenden decd. and each entitled at the termination of the life estate of the said Lemuel Crittenden to one eighth part thereof and the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife for and in Consideration of the said sum of One thousand four hundred dollars to them in hand paid as herein before mentioned have also granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said Thomas Wright Senr and his heirs and assigns forever - one other certain messuage tenement parcel or tract of land adjoining the lands herein before mentioned containing by a late survey made by William Fisher one hundred two and a half acres being the same land conveyed by John Brown to the said Thomas Wright Jr by deed bearing date the 19" April one thousand eight hundred and twenty two and duly recorded in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex the boundaries of which said last mentioned parcel or tract of land will fully and at large appear by reference to the aforesaid deed from said Brown to the said Thomas Wright Jr. To have and to hold the right title and interest of the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife in and to the tracts of land hereinbefore mentioned together with all and singular the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said Thomas Wright Sen. and his heirs freely and clearly exonerated from all right title interest or demand which the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife or their heirs may have in and to the same and the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife for themselves their heirs executors or administrators do hereby Covenant to and with the said Thomas Wright Senr. his heirs and assigns to protect and forever defend the right title and interest of the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife in and to the tracts of land aforementioned as hereinbefore particularly set forth and decribed to the said Thomas Wright Senr and his heirs against the claim or demand of all and every person whatever. And the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife do hereby Covenant and agree to and with the said Thomas Wright Senr. that the said Thomas Wright Senr shall at all times hereafter possess and enjoy the interest of the said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife in and to the said tracts of land and premises as herein before mentioned against the lawful claim and demand of all and every person or persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof the

said Thomas Wright Jr and Ann M his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written.

Erased &c before signed

Thos. Wright Jr
Ann M Wright

Memo:

I do hereby for myself my heirs and assigns agree to make the same reservation as to one fourth of an acre of land reserved to John Brown and his heirs as mentioned in deed from said John Brown to the within Thomas Wright Jr of date as within mentioned as a place of interment or Family Graveyard.

Teste
Richard Wright

Thos. Wright Sr

Essex County Sc:

We Richard Rowzee & Edmund F Noel Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Thomas Wright Jr a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 3d day of January 1833 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essexin order that the said deed may be recorded.

Richard Rowzee
Edmund F Noel

Essex County Sc

We Richard Rowzee and Edmund F Noel Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Ann M Wright the wife of Thomas Wright Jr parties to a Certain deed bearing date on the 3d day of January 1833 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before usin our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Ann M Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 3d day of Jany 1833.

Richard Rowzee
Edmund F Noel

Essex County Court Clerks Office February 20th 1833.

This Deed was produced in the Office aforesaid and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright jr	18	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $100	5.86

Thomas Wright, Jr., has not as yet been located in the 1833 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia.

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright Jr.	15	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 gig $100	5.23

The 1834 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	life	100	M Crouch
Same			157	R L Pitts
Same			273¾	D W Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls	Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls	Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls	Cents
3 West	5.16				516.00)	
1 do	16.00				2512.00)	
12 NW	16.00		2000		4380.00	

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
		233½ acres deducted from qty chgd last year
2.41		conveyed to Thomas Wright Senr
3.51		

This record reflects the sale in 1833 of 130 acres of land by Essex County Deed 44/156.

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of Horses Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright jr	13	7		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
2 Gigs @ $20	8.17	
1 Coachee $350		

The 1835 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	life	100	M Crouch
Same			157	R L Pitts
Same			273¾	D W Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls	Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls	Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls	Cents
3 West	5.16				516.00)	
1 do	16.00				2512.00)	
12 NW	16.00		2000		4380.00	

Amount of Tax at the rate of Eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
2.41		
3.51		

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

	Thomas Wright jr	11	7		

2 Gigs @ $20	8.17
1 Coachee $400	

The 1836 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	life	100	Rubin Clarke
Same			157	R L Pitts
Same		fee	273¾	D W Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls	Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls	Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls	Cents
3 West	5.16				516.00)	
1 do	16.00				2512.00)	
12 NW	16.00		2000		4380.00	

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
2.40		
3.51		

On March 15, 1836, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/133 Thomas Wright, Jr., purchased from Laurence and Sarah Ann Roane 86 acres of land adjacent to the Town of Tappahannock:

> "This Indenture made this 15th day of March 1836 between Laurence Roane and Sarah Ann his wife of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the first part and Thomas Wright Jr of the same County and state of the second part. Witnesseth that the said Laurence Roane and Sarah Ann his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Six hundred and forty five dollars to them in hand paid at and before the signing and sealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained sold aliened released enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release enfeoff and confirm unto the said Thomas Wright Jr and his heirs and assigns forever a certain tenement parcel or tract of land situate lying and being in the said County of Essex contiguous to the Town of Tappahannock containing by estimation eighty six acres be the same more or less, bounded by the lands of the said Thomas Wright Jr William A Wright and Richard Croxton and the main road leading from Tappahannock to Fredericksburg it being the same land conveyed by George Wright a commissioner acting under a decree of the Circuit Superior

Court of Law and Chancery of Essex county pronounced on the 30th October 1835 in a suit thereon depending in which Reuben M Garnett Guardian of Ellen H Jones and others were plaintiffs and George Wright & Susan F. his wife and others were defendants. To have and to hold the said land together with all and singular the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the said Thomas Wright Jr and his heirs and assigns forever and the said Laurence Roane and Sarah Ann his wife for themselves their heirs Executors and administrators and each and every of them, do hereby covenant to and with the said Thomas Wright for his heirs and assigns to protect and forever defend the right and title of the said land and premises herein and hereby granted and each and every part and parcel thereof to the said Thomas Wright Jr and his heirs and assigns forever against the claim or demand of all and every person whatsoever. In Witness whereof the said Laurence Roane and Sarah Ann his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written

Laurence Roane
S A Roane

1836 March 23d

Received of Thomas Wright Jr the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars and eighty cents the balance in full of the purchase money for the land in this Deed conveyed

Laurence Roane

Essex County to wit

We Thomas C Gordon & Leonard Henley Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Sarah A. Roane the wife of Laurence Roane parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 15 March 1836 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband she the said Sarah A Roane acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands and seals this 22 March 1836.

Thos C Gordon
Leo D Henley

At a Court of Quarterly session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 16" day of May 1836. This Deed and

Receipt were acknowledged by Lawrence Roane to be his act and Deed and with the Justices Certificate annexed ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright jr	13	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig @ $75	7.98
1 Coachee $350	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	life	100	Rubin Clarke
Same			157	R L Pitts
Same			86	James R Micon jr
Same			273¾	D W Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
3 West	5.16		516.00)
1 ditto	16.00		2512.00)
½ ditto	16.00		1376.00
12 NW	16.00	2000	4380.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
		86 acres added Conveyed to you by
2.41		Laurence Roane and taken from Martha
1.10		Jones & others
3.51		

This record reflects the purchase in 1836 of 86 acres of land by Essex County Deed 45/133.

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright jr	15	8		
Riding					

1 Gig $50
1 Coachee $300

The 1838 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright Jr	Essex	Life	100	Robin Clarke
Same			157	Reuben L Pitts
Same			86	James R Micon jr
Same		Fee	273¾	David W Pitts Est

Distance and bearing from the court House	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dollars Cents				
3 West	5.16		516.00)		
1 do	16.00		2512.00)	3.03	
½ do	16.00		1376.00	1.57	
15 NW	16.00	2000	2000.00	4.39	

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
	Thomas Wright jr	15	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	8.14
1 Coachee $250	

The 1839 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Thomas Wright jr	Essex	life	100	R L Pitts
Same			157	R L Pitts
Same			86	James R Micon jr
Same		fee	273¾	Bevan D Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls cents				
3 West	5.16		516.00)		
1 ditto	16.00		2512.00)	3.03	
½ do	16.00		1376.00	1.37	
15 North	16.00	2000	4380.00	4.39	

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright, Jr., with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules and Colts	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
Thomas Wright jr	13	10		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	7.20
1 Coachee $200	

The 1840 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description & Situation of the Land
Thomas Wright jr	Essex	life	100	R L Pitts
Same		fee	157	Same
Same		fee	86	James R Micon jr
Same		fee	273¾	B D Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls cts	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax whole tract of on the Land at the legal rate
3 West	5.00		500.00	.50
1 do	15.00		2355.00	2.36
½ do	15.00		1298.00	1.30
15 NW	20.00	2000	5475.00	5.48

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1840 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Thomas Wright	1	40-50	1	40-50
	1	20-30	1	30-40
	2	15-20	1	15-20
	1	10-15	1	10-15
	2	5-10	2	5-10
			1	0-5

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				5	36-55	4	24-36
				3	10-124	4	10-24
				11	0-10	5	0-10
						1	0-10

	Number of Persons in each Family Employed in					
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
46			10			

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and In-sane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Univer-sities or College	Number of Stu-dents	Acade-mies & Grammar Schools	No. of Schol-ars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Schol-ars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
April 3	Thomas Wright	1	2	11

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Carriages, whether four Wheel or two wheel riding Carriages, phaetons, Stage wagons, Carryalls and Jersey wagons, and all Others with the value thereof including Harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
10	1 Gig $50 1 Coachee $200	9.57

Thomas Wright was no longer designated as "Jr." because of the death of his father Thomas Wright in 1840.

The 1841 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright Jr. with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright jr	Essex	life	100	R L Pitts
Same		"	157	Same
Same		fee	86	James R Micon jr
Same			273¾	Bevan D Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house		Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax on the Land at the legal rate
3 west	5.00		500.00	.63
1 do	15.00		2355.00	2.95
½ do	15.00		1298.00	1.63
15 NW	20.00	2000	5475.00	6.85

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

On September 4, 1841, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/219 William and Susan W. Gray conveyed to Thomas Wright, Richard Kay, and Mordecai Spindle, as trustees for the Upper Essex Baptist Church, one acre of land and the Bethlehem Meeting House for a church:

"This Indenture made this 4th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one between William Gray and Susan W his wife of the County of Essex of the first part and Richard Kay, Mordecai Spindle and Thomas Wright of the second part, Witnesseth that the said William Gray and Susan W his wife for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Richard Kay Mordecai Spindle and Thomas Wright and divers other good Causes and considerations thereunto moving have granted bargained sold aliened released enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release enfeoff and confirm unto the said Richard Kay Mordecai Spindle and Thomas Wright and to their heirs and assigns forever a certain tenements parcel or Lot of land on which Bethleham Meeting house stands containing one Acre and bounded as follows to wit beginning at a Sassafras on the East side of the road corner to Pilkington running thence North 64 degrees E 10 poles to a stake thence south 33 degrees E 16 poles to a pine thence South 64 degrees W 10 poles to a stake on the side of the road, thence North 33 degrees W 16 poles to the beginning or To have and to hold the said Lot or parcel of land and each and every part thereof together with all and singular the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the said Richard Kay, Mordecai Spindle and Thomas Wright and their heirs and successors forever and to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said Richard Kay Mordecai Spindle and Thomas Wright and the heirs of the last Survivors In Trust nevertheless to and for the following uses and purposes and for no other use intent or purpose whatever Vizt that there may be a perpetual succession of Trustees seized and possessed of the legal Estate in the premises who shall act under the contract and direction of a majority of the white male members of the sect or denomination of Christians called Baptists composing what is usually termed and denominated the upper Essex Church to the intent that the said Richard Kay Mordecai Spindle and Thomas Wright or the survivor or survivors of them or the heirs or devisees of such survivors shall convey by deed properly and duly executed and allotted such interest as may be vested in him her or them or the survivor of them in and to the said lot or parcel of land to such person or persons as a majority of the white male members of the said upper Essex Church may designate and appoint in trust for the uses and purposes herein before named as may be necessary to keep up a perpetual succession of Trustees and also that the said Richard Kay Mordecai Spindle and Thomas Wright and all other Trustees who by virtue of any conveyance hereafter to be made shall succeed them shall have hold and stand seized and possessed of the said lot and parcel of land and the buildings thereon solely and exclusively for religious worship and for the use of that sect or denomination of Christians called Baptists and the said Richard Kay, Mordecai Spindle and Thomas Wright and each and every of them and the survivors of them do hereby covenant to have and to hold the said lot and parcel of land & to convey the same according to the true intent and meaning of the Indenture herein before expressed provided nevertheless that should the said lot or parcel of land cease to be used for religious purposes as is herein before named and set forth for and being the

space of five years the same together with all and singular the priviledges and appertenances thereunto belonging is to revert to the said William Gray and his heirs in fee simple. In Witness whereof the said William Gray and Susan his wife and the said Richard Kay Mordecai Spindle and Thomas Wright have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written

Signed, Sealed and	)	William Gray
delivered in presence of	)	Susan W Gray
		Richd Kay
		Mordecai A Spindle
		Thos Wright

Essex County to wit

We Richard Baylor & Alex T Baylor Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Susan W Gray wife of William Gray parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 4th day of September 1841 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Susan Gray acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and Seals this 9th day of September 1841

Richd Baylor
Alex: T Baylor

We Richard Baylor & Alexander T Baylor Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that William Gray Richard Kay Thomas Wright & Mordecai L Spindle parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 4th day of September 1841 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be their Acts and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said Deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 9th day of Septr 1841

Richd Baylor
Alex T Baylor

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 18th Day of October 1841 This Deed was this day

produced in Court with the Justices certificates annexed and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household on May 14:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
May 14	Thomas Wright	1	2	11

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Forte Pianoes Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
9						

Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 1 Coachee $200	9.45

The 1842 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright	Essex	life	100	Reuben L Pitts
Same		"	157	Same
Same		fee	86	Jas R Micon jr
Same			273¾	Bevan D Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land count	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
3 West	5.00		500.00	.63
1 do	15.00		2355.00	2.95
½ do	15.00		1298.00	1.63
15 NW	20.00	2000	5475.00	6.85

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

On February 23, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/487 Thomas Wright purchased from James Wright four slaves:

"Know all men by these presents that I James Wright of Essex County for and in consideration of the Sum of four hundred and twenty five dollars to me in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright at and before the signing and sealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained and sold and delivered and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell and deliver unto the said Thomas Wright the following slaves to wit Hannah and her three children by name Sam Brown, William Latane, and infant child Mary Catharine the right and title to all which negroes and the increase of the females I the said James Wright for myself my heirs exors and admors doth covenant to protect and forever defend unto the said Thomas Wright his exors and admors & assigns against the claim and demand of all and every person and persons whatever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 23rd day of February 1843

Witness James Wright
Thomas Durham
Richd H Mitchell

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 1st 1843. This Bill of Sale was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by James Wright to be his Act and Deed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On February 23, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/488 Thomas Wright loaned the four slaves to James Wright and Judith Wright for their support:

"Know all men by these presents that I Thomas Wright of Essex County for the purpose of providing for the support and maintenance of Judith Wright the wife of James Wright my brother and her children and the further consideration of one dollar to me in hand paid by the said Judith Wright at and before the ensealing and signing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have loaned unto the said Judith Wright for the purposes aforesaid the following negro slaves to wit, Hannah and her three children Sam Brown, William Latane, and Mary Catharine To have and to hold the said negroes being the same I have this day purchased of the said James Wright for the purposes aforesaid during my own Will and pleasure reserving to myself the right to resume the possession of said Slaves at any time without giving any reason therefor and I do hereby constitute and appoint the said James Wright the agent for the purpose of managing said slaves and appropriating their labours and profits for the support and maintenance of the said Judith Wright and her children as herein before provided for. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 23rd day of February 1843

Witness Thos: Wright
Thomas Durham
Richd H Mitchell

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 1st 1843. This Deed of Loan was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by Thomas Wright to be his Act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On April 26, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/28 Edward L. Wright loaned to Thomas Wright a slave for the support of Judith E. Wright and her children:

"This Indenture made this 26th day of April 1843 between Edward L Wright of Essex County of the first part and Thomas Wright of the same County of the second part, Whereas James Wright by a bill of sale bearing date the 4th day of April 1843 and duly admitted to record by the County Court of Essex on the 17th day of April 1843 sold and conveyed to the said Edward L Wright a Negro man slave named Solomon and the said Edward L Wright on the same day by a deed of loan duly admitted to record on the same day with the bill of sale loaned to Judith E Wright the wife of said James Wright for the support of herself and children the said negro slave Solomon for the support of herself and children the possession of which was to be resumed at any time the said E. L Wright might think proper without giving a reason therefor and therein and thereby appointed the said James Wright agent to manage said negroes and appropriate their profit labour &c be and for the uses and purposes therein declared and whereas doubts have arisen whether the title acquired by said E. L Wright although fair

and bona fide and for a valuable consideration is valid against the claim of the creditors of said James Wright the said E. L. Wright at the time he purchased said negro not having reduced him into actual possession but loaned him for the uses and purposes aforesaid; and to render any doubt that might exist the said E. L Wright since the execution of said bill of Sale and deed of loan has taken possession of said negro man Solomon conveyed to him by said James Wright as before stated but being desirous that the wife and children of said James Wright should be provided for in as much comfort as the embarrassed situation of said James will admit of and being willing according to his ability to provide the means therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Edward L Wright for and in consideration of the premises and the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath loaned and by these presents doth loan unto the said Thomas Wright the said negro man Solomon. To have and to hold said negro during the will and pleasure of said E. L Wright to the said Thomas Wright his Executors and administrators for the sole only exclusive and separate use of said Judith E Wright and her children the profits use and labours of said negro to be applied and appropriated to their sole and exclusive use and benefit and the said Thomas Wright doth hereby warrant to hold said negro slave for the uses purposes objects and intents herein before named and for no other - and to suffer and permit the said E. L Wright to resume the possession thereof whenever he may choose or think proper to do so. In Witness whereof the said Edward L Wright and the said Thomas Wright have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and year first herein written

Edwd L Wright
Thos Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office April 27th 1843

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in the said Office by Edward L Wright to be his proper act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James M Mathews DCl
James Ray Micon Clk"

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household on May 23:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
May 23	Thomas Wright	2	10	3

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks
8					

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents
			1	20.00		

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $100	9.60

The 1843 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright	Essex	life	100	Reuben L Pitts
Same			157	Same
Same		fee	86	Jas R Micon
Same			273¾	Bevan D Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	__ Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value
3 West	5.00		500.00	.75
1 do	15.00		2355.00	3.52
½ do	15.00		1298.00	1.95
15 NW	20.00	2000	5475.00	8.92

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household on May 29:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
May 29	Thomas Wright	2	13	8

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and value	Gold Watches	
1 $100			1 $20		1
					8.70

The 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Resi-dence	Estate whe-ther held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Lands as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contigu-ous tracts
Thomas Wright	Essex	life	100	Reuben L Pitts
Same			157	Same
Same		fee	86	James R Micon
Same			273¾	B D Pitts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
3 West	5.00		500.00
1 do	15.00		2355.00
½ do	15.00		1298.00
15 NW	20.00	2000	5475.00

Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.63	
3.95	
1.63	
6.85	

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Thomas Wright	1	7	2	8

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value		Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value		Gold watches
1	$40			1	$18	

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				4.55

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright	Essex	life	100	Reuben L Pitts
Same	"	"	157	Hoskins's Creek
Same	"	fee	86	James R Micon
Same	"		273¾	Bevan D Pitts

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
3 West	5.00		500.00	.50
1 ditto	15.00		2355.00	2.36
½ ditto	15.00		1298.00	1.30
15 NW	20.00	2000	5475.00	5.48

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

On September 13, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/449 Thomas Wright purchased from his son Selden S. Wright his interest in a tanyard near the Town of Tappahannock:

> "This Indenture, made and entered into this the thirteenth day of September One thousand eight hundred and forty five Between Selden S Wright of the County of Holmes and State of Mississippi of the one part, and Thomas Wright of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Selden S. Wright for and in consideration of a certain deed or instrument of writing bearing even date with this indenture signed & sealed by the said

Thomas Wright by virtue of which the said Thomas Wright doth bargain sell grant and confirm unto the said Selden S Wright a certain parcel of negroes therein more fully described and named (the receipt of said instrument is hereby acknowledged) he the said Selden S Wright hath granted bargained and sold aliened and confirmed and by these presents doth grant, bargain sell and confirm unto the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns forever all his (the said Selden S. Wrights interest right title and claim to that certain tract or parcel of land called the Tanyard, situate lying and being in the County of Essex and State of Virginia near the Town of Tappahannock said land being that portion of the real estate of John Jones decd which subsequent to his death and under the provisions of his will, was allotted to his daughter Mary D. Jones afterwards Mary D. Wright now decd who intermarried while the said Thomas Wright, the metes and bounds of which said land are fully set forth in the records of the County Court of said Essex County. And the interest by this indenture intended to be conveyed being all that interest which the said Selden S. Wright may be entitled to as heir at Law of the said Mary D. Wright who was his mother; And the said Selden S. Wright for himself and his heirs the said land with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging, together with all the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders issues and profits thereof together with every part and parcel thereof unto the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of him the said Selden S. Wright or his heirs shall will and doth warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said Selden S Wright hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal this the day and year first before written.

Signed Sealed and deli-	)	Selden S. Wright
vered in the pressence of	)	
L. W. Dobyns	)	
Jno. J. Wright	)	
Richd Motley	)	

Essex County Court Clerks Office September 15th 1845.

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in the Office aforesaid by Selden S. Wright to be his act and deed and admitted to record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On November 7, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/39 Thomas Wright sold to Thomas C. Gordon the tanyard consisting of about 100 acres:

"This Indenture made this 7th: day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five between Thos: Wright of the County of Essex of the first part and Thos: C Gordon of the same County of the second

part - Witnesseth, That the said Thos Wright in consideration of the sum of three thousand two hundred and twenty five Dollars to him in hand paid by the said Thos: C Gordon the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, enfeoffed and Confirmed, and by these presents, doth grant, bargain and sell, alien, release, enfeoff and Confirm to Thos: C Gordon his heirs and assigns forever, all that tract or parcel of Land, situate lying and being in the County aforesaid Commonly Called and known as the Tanyard tract supposed to Contain two hundred and forty three acres, be the same more or less, being the land allotted to the said Thos: Wright and Wife in a division of the lands between the daughters of the late Capt: John Jones decd namely Kitty, Polly and Sarah, except forty three Acres heretofore Conveyed by the said Thos: Wright by deed of record in the County Court of Essex to Laurence Roane, and includes that Conveyed by the said Laurence Roane to the said Thos: Wright by deed of record in the Clerk's Office of Essex County, and the said Thos: Wright in Consideration of the premises aforesaid, hath also granted bargained, sold, aliened, released, enfeoffed and confirmed, and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, alien, release, enfeoff and Confirm unto the said Thos: C Gordon his heirs and assigns forever, one other tenement parcel or tract of Land, situate lying and being in the County aforesaid, also a portion of the land allotted to the said Thos: Wright in a division of the lands of the late Capt: John Jones devised to his said daughters Kitty, Polly and Sarah, Containing by estimation one hundred Acres be the same, more or less, which said last named tract of land, is bounded by the lands of Laurence Roane and others, and the road leading from where Piscataway Church formerly stood to the Mill owned by Messrs Pitts & Dobyn; to have and to hold the said two tenements, parcels or tracts of land, together with all and Singular the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in otherwise appurtaining and every part and parcel thereof, unto the said Thos: C Gordon and his heirs and assigns forever - And the said Thomas Wright for himself his heirs, executors and administrators and each and every of them, doth hereby Covenant to and with the said Thos: C Gordon his heirs and assigns in manner and form following that is to say, that he the said Thos: Wright his heirs, executors and administrators the said two parcels or tracts of land herein before named, and every part and parcel thereof, together with the priviledges and appurtenances belonging to each and either of them, shall will and do warrant the right and title thereof, against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same, and further that the said Thos: C Gordon his heirs and assigns shall and may from time to time, and at all and every time and times hereafter, have, hold, occupy possess and enjoy the said two tracts or parcels of land, together with the priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtaining against the claim, let, eviction or other disturbance of the said Thos: Wright his heirs and assigns, and all and every person and persons lawfully claiming or to claim the same - In Witness whereof

the said Thos: Wright has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal, the day and year first herein written

Signed, Sealed and deli-) Thos Wright
vered in the presence of)
Geo: Wright
Geo T. Wright
Benjamin E Wright

Essex County Court Clerk's Office January 19th 1846

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the said Office by Thomas Wright to be his act and deed, and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Thomas Wright	1	7	2	8

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $40				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				4.28

The 1846 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Thomas Wright	Essex	fee	273¾	Bevan D Pitts
Same Sheriff Essex	"	"	49½	George W Phillips

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
15 NW	20.00	2000	5475.00	5.48
2 South	2.50		123.75	.12

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

343 acres deducted, sold to Thomas C Gordon & 49½ acres added Conveyed to you as Shff Essex by Philip Davis

This record reflects the sale in 1845 of 300 acres of land by Essex County Deed 49/39 and indicates that Thomas Wright was acting as sheriff of Essex County in 1845.

On September 21, 1846, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/165 Thomas Wright transferred to John S. Trible, as trustee, certain slaves for the support of Judith Wright and her children:

> "This Indenture made this 21st day of September 1846, between Thomas Wright of Essex County of the first part, and John S. Trible of the same County of the second part - Whereas James Wright by bill of sale bearing date the 23d: day of February 1843 and duly admitted to record in the Clerks Office of the County

Court of Essex on the 1st: day of March 1843 sold and conveyed to the said Thomas Wright the following negro slaves to wit Hannah and her three children Sam Brown, William Latane and an infant named Catharine and the said Thomas Wright on the same day by Deed of Loan duly admitted to record in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Essex on the day that the said bill of sale was admitted to record, loaned to Judith Wright the Wife of the said James Wright for the support of herself and her children the said negro slaves the possession of which was to be resumed at any time the said Thomas Wright might think proper and without giving a reason therefor, and therein and thereby appointed the said Thomas Wright the agent to manage the said negroes and appropriate their profits, labor &c: for the uses and purposes therein declared. And whereas doubts have arisen whether the title acquired by the said Thomas Wright although fair and bona fide and for a valuable consideration is valid against the claims of the creditors of the said James Wright, the said Thomas Wright at the time he purchased said negroes, not having reduced them into actual possession, but loaned them for the uses and purposes aforesaid and to remove any doubt that might exist, the said Thomas Wright, since the execution of the said bill of sale and Deed of Loan has taken the said possession of all and said negroes sold and conveyed to him by said James Wright as before stated, but being nevertheless desirous that the Wife and Children of said James Wright should be provided for in as much Comfort as the embarrassed situation of said James will admit of, and being willing according to his ability to provide the means therefor. Therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Thomas Wright for and in Consideration of the premises and and the sum of five dollars to him in hand paid by the said John S Trible before the signing and ensealing of this Indenture the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto the said John S Trible all the aforesaid negroes to wit - Hannah and Children Sam Brown, William Latane and Catharine - also boy Elias Child of said Hannah - To have and to hold the same and their increase to the said John S. Trible his Executors and administrators for the sole only exclusive and separate use of the said Judith Wright and her children and should any one of the Children of said Judith die, then for the use and benefit of the said Judith and such children as shall remain - the profits use and labor of said negroes to be applied and appropriated to their sole use and exclusive benefits. And the said John S. Trible doth hereby Covenant to hold said negroes for the uses and purposes, objects and interests herein before named, and for no other.

In Witness whereof the said Thomas Wright and the said John S Trible have hereunto set their hands and Seals the day and year first herein written.

Thos: Wright

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 21st day of September 1846. This Deed of Trust was this

day acknowledged in Court by Thomas Wright (the only party who has signed the same) to be his act and deed, and ordered to be recorded as to him.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Thomas Wright	1	6	4	8

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches
$100			$50	1

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				7.50

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
Thos Wright	Essex	fee	273¾	B D Pitts
Same Shff of Essex	"	"	49½	Geo. W Phillips

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
15 NW	20.00	2000.00	5473.00	5.48
9 "	2.50		123.75	.13

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
Thomas Wright	1	7	2	7

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $100			1 $50	1

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				7.08

As set forth above, Thomas Wright and his family moved in 1848 to Mississippi.

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
Thos Wright	Essex	fee	273¾	Bevan D Pitts
Same Shff of Essex	"	"	49½	George W Phillips

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
15 NW	20.00	2000.00	5475.00	5.48
9 South	2.50		123.75	.13

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1849 and 1850 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, did not list Thomas Wright.

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Thos Wright	Essex	Fee	273¾	B D Pitts
Same Same Sheriff	"	"	49½	Geo W Phillips

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
15 NW	20.00	2000.00	5475.00	5.48
9 S	2.50		123.75	.13

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Thos Wright	Mississippi	Fee	273¾	B D Pitts
Same Same	"	"	49½	Geo W Phillips
Sheriff				

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
15 NW	20.00	2000.00	5475.00	5.48
9 S	2.50		123.75	.13

Explanation of alteration during the preceding
year especially from whom transferred

This record reflects Thomas Wright's move to Mississippi in 1846.

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, did not list 1856 Thomas Wright of Essex County.

The 1850 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed Thomas Wright with the following household on October 3, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Thomas Wright	62	M		Farmer	3000
Janet S Wright	30	F			
Emily Wright	17	F			
Ann Wright	14	F			
Robert B McClanahan	26	M			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Va				
Va				
Va		1		
Va				
Tenn				

Eric Torney's DVD dated January 15, 2009, showed the gravestone of Jennette S. (Kirkham) Wright in Lexington or Odd Fellows Cemetery, Lexington, Mississippi, which listed her as the wife of Thomas Wright and the daughter of John B. Kirkham and born in Springfield, Massachusetts.

On August 2, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/637 Thomas Wright gifted to his daughter Emily M. Povall a life estate in 525 acres of land held as tenant by curtesy in right of his deceased wife Ann Maria (Garnett) (Noel) Wright:

"State of Mississippi)
Homes County)

Whereas I have a life estate as Tenant by Curtesy in a certain parcel of land lying in the County of Essex and State of Virginia Known as Farmers Hall the Same being the lands of my late wife Ann Maria who before her marriage with

me was Ann Maria Noel and whereas I am also entitled to a portion of the reversion in Said lands which I inherited from my daughter Laura Boulware, and Ann G Wright and whereas I wish to convey to my daughter Emily M Povall my only Surviving child by my Said wife Ann Maria all my interest in Said Lands. Now in Consideration of the natural love and affection which I bear to my Said daughter Emily and for the further consideration of one dollar in hand paid the receipt of of which is hereby acknowledged, I have given granted, bargained, sold released surrendered and given up and do by these presents give, grant bargain Sell, release Surrender and give up to my said daughter Emily M. Povall for and during the term of my natural life the above mentioned parcel or tract of land lying being and Situate as aforesaid in the County of Essex and State of Virginia and bounded by the land of Robert M T Hunter, Robert P. Warings Estate B D Pitts and others and containing about five hundred and twenty five acres more or less to have and hold the Same to her and her heirs for and during the term of my natural life. And for the considerations above mentioned I have also given granted bargained, Sold released surrendered and given up and do by these presents give grant bargain sell release Surrender and give up to my Said daughter Emily M Povall and her heirs, all my interest in the reversion of Said lands to have and to hold the Same to her and her heirs forever. Provided however that if my said daughter Emily Should die without heirs of her body one half of the proceeds of the Sale of Said property in case of its Sale, Shall revert to the grantor in this deed and his heirs In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal on this the Second day of August 1854.

Thos: Wright

State of Mississippi)
Holmes County)

We Abner V Rowe and Wilson A Purdon Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and State of Mississippi do hereby Certify that Thomas Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 2nd day of August 1854 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the Same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the Said acknowledgment to the clerk of the County Court of Essex County and State of Virginia in order that the Said deed may be recorded Given under our hands and Seals this Second day of August 1854

A V Rowe JP
W A Purdon JP

The State of Mississippi)
Holmes County)

I Armistead G. Otey Clerk of the Probate Court in & for Said County, do hereby Certify that A V Rowe and Wilson A Purdon whoes names is Signed to the above & foregoing Certificate of acknowledgement is now and was at the time of Signing the Same acting Justices of the Peace in & for Said County, duly elected qualified and Commissioned according to law and that all their official acts are & should be entitled to full faith & credit

Given under my hand & Seal of office at Lexington this the 2nd day of August AD 1854.

A G Otey Clk

State of Mississippi)
Holmes County)

I, Richmond J Brown Judge of the Probate Court of Said County & State, do hereby Certify that A G. Otey whose genuine Signature appears to the foregoing certificate & attestation is and was at the time thereof clerk of the Said Court duly elected qualified & commissioned and that his Said Certificate and attestation are in due form of law and that all his acts, in the premises are and ought to be entitled to full faith and credit in judicature & thereout Given under my hand and private Seal there being the Seal of Office this August 2d 1854

Richmond J Brown
Judge of Probatus of H.C. Miss

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 18th day of December 1854

This Deed was this day produced in Court and with the testimonials accompanying the Same from the State of Mississippi was Ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

Eric Torney's DVD dated January 15, 2009, showed the gravestone of Thomas Wright in Lexington or Odd Fellows Cemetery, Lexington, Mississippi, which listed his birth on April 23, 1797, in Essex County, Virginia, and his death on February 19, 1856, in Holmes County, Mississippi.

The will of 1856 Thomas Wright was dated July 11, 1855, probated on February 14, 1856, at Holmes County, Mississippi, W.B. 1/152, and provided as follows:

> "Will of Thomas Wright, once of Essex Co., Va., now of Holmes Co., Miss. Estate, except specified bequest to be kept together, money in good hands, negroes hired and place rented out for four years after my death until my son, Kirkham Brantley Wright arrives at age 21 years. Purpose to provide for his maintenance and education at the best schools. But should my mother die before he reaches such age, I give my son, K. B. Wright, all my patrimonial estate, including land and negroes. Should the amount thus falling to him at my mother's death not be worth $8000 then I will the deficiency be made up out of any part of my estate either in Miss. or elsewhere. The farm, above-mentioned, at the end of four years, I will to the children of my son Selden Wright, to be taken in his hands, as their trustee, also a servant man, Joe and his son Ben, to S. S. Wright as trustee for his children, also the amount of his indebtedness to me at the time of my death, provided it is not more than $1500. If over, the excess to be part of my estate. I wish Selden Wright as trustee, also to receive for his children $100 as a remuneration to him for a set of drawers which I gave his aunt Roan, when he was a child, and for which I have grieved. Should either child die without issue, I will that the surviving inherit jointly; should all his children die without issue, I will that none but my own grandchildren inherit. My son, Selden S. Wright to give no security as trustee for his children. Having done so much more for Thomas during my life than his dear mother requested, for which I fear he was the least thankful of all, should his children live to the age of 25 years, I wish all the negroes I acquired by marriage with his mother to be equally divided equally between them, this division to take place upon the first child arriving at that age, and those of tender age, I wish theirs to be placed in the hands of trustee for their benefit and to have their portions of the negroes assigned them as each arrives at that age. The negroes to be hired out, year after year, but I do not wish my son, Thomas, or his wife, to hire any. Should there be an accumulation of funds from the hire of my negroes and other sources, after doing as directed to and by my son, Kirkham Brantley Wright, I wish it every year set apart in good hands and every two years divided, as follows: to S. S. Wright, as trustee of his children one-third; to the children of my son, Thomas, one- third, (to be paid into good hands), and to the children of my daughter Emily, one-third, to be placed in the hands of her husband as trustee, until my son, K. B. Wright is twenty-one or gets his patrimonial estate (that is, my father's and mother's estate.) I now direct that the negroes and their increase I may leave, which I acquired by marriage with the mother of my daughter, Emily, be taken possession of by John P. Povall, only as trustee for my daughter Emily, also my household and kitchen furniture, except my mahogany bookcase to her daughter, Ann G. Wright, a mahogany table (small) to my granddaughter, Mary Shepherd Wright. Should my daughter Emily die without (other) issue then I wish her surviving child to inherit all I give her. Mr. Povall's indebtedness to me,

by bond, of $1000, which I leave in the hands of trustee for my dau. Emily, to be applied to her benefit when Kirkham is 21, or gets the estate I leave him. $500 of the balance of his indebtedness I leave to S. S. Wright, trustee for his children. This I give him to make up the amount the Tan Yard was worth. The balance of Povall's debt to be equally divided between the children of my son, Tom S. S. Wright, for his children and the child or children of my daughter, Emily. Signed Thos. Wright. (n.d.)// To my four granddaughters, Mary Stuart Wright, Mary Shepherd Wright, Nannie Brooks Wright and Ann G. W. Wright Povall, I give my land, or lots on Tuckahoe Hill in Lexington. Should either of these four die, the survivor or survivors to inherit. If Mary Shepherd should inherit, the place to be in the hands of John Povall for her benefit. 11 July 1855. Son, S. S. Wright and John Povall, exrs. Signed Thos. Wright. Codocil. To my dear children, Selden, Emily and son-in-law John Povall, I commit my dearest little tender, motherless, dependant and necessetous infant, Kirkham Brantly Wright, may the blessing of heaven attend him. Thos. Wright.// Codocil. As my son Thomas's children do not get their negroes until they are 25 years of age, whereas the others get their portions when my son Kirkham is 21, I will that the profits of the negroes willed to the children of my son Thomas from that time be set aside yearly but not distributed. July 25, 1885. Thos. Wright.// Codocil. I have provided herein that the children of my son Thomas, except Mary Shepherd, should not directly receive benefits of my estate until they arrive at the age of 25 years, it is my will that they share equally the same upon arriving at the age of 21, as all other children's children. Feb. 14, 1856. Thos. Wright. Wit: Benj. W. Morton

Probate. Feb 1856

Appeared A. G. Otey, Thos. S. Wright, Abram Schid. Will, 11 July, 1855."

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Thomas Wright, Jr., was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1796, and married Mary D. "Polly" Jones in 1818, that Mary D. (Jones) Wright died before June 14, 1824, and that Thomas Wright, Jr., and Mary D. (Jones) Wright had the following children:

1) George Wright,
2) Mary E. (Wright) Trible, and
3) V. L. (Wright) Boulware.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below the children of Thomas Wright and Mary D. (Jones) Wright were the following:

1) Selden Stuart Wright, born on March 7, 1822, in Essex County, Virginia, and

2) Sally Waller Wright, born on September 8, 1823, in Essex County, Virginia, and

the child of Thomas Wright and Mary E. (Shepherd) Wright was the following:

1) Thomas Wright, Jr., born on June 22, 1826, in Middlesex County, Virginia, and

the children of Thomas Wright and Ann M. (Garnett) (Noel) Wright were the following:

1) Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Trible, born on May 20, 1828, in Virginia,

2) Louisa Virginia (Wright) Boulware, born on January 28, 1830, in Essex County, Virginia,

3) Ann Marie Garnett Wright, born on September 6, 1832, and died on September 12, 1833, in Virginia,

4) Emily Matilda (Wright) Povall, born on December 19, 1833, in Virginia, and

5) Ann Garnett Wright, born on January 7, 1836, in Virginia, and

the child of Thomas Wright and Jennette Stoddard (Kirkham) Wright was the following:

1) Kirkham Brantley Wright, born on September 5, 1850, at Mount Auburn, Holmes County, Mississippi.

i. <u>1893 Selden Stuart Wright Of Alameda County, California, His Wife Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

1893 Selden Stuart Wright of Alameda County, California, was a son of 1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, and Mary "Polly" (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1856 Thomas[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Selden Stuart Wright son of Thomas Wright Jr. and Mary D. his wife (daughter of Capt. John Jones decd) was born the 7th day of March 1822

. . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

Marriages

. . . .

Selden Stuart Wright son of Thomas Wright and Mary D. Wife to Janna Maynerd Shaw, daughter of O A Shaw esq. 15th Oct. 1846 all of Missi

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Selden Stuart Wright son of Thomas Wright & Mary D. his wife born 7th Mar. 1822

. . . .

Mary Stuart Wright daughter of S. S. Wright & Joanna his wife 17th August 1847

. . . .

Robert Walker Wright son of Selden Stuart & Joanna his wife 27th Sept. 1848
Selden Stuart son of same tuesday 5th Nov. 1850

. . . .

Ann Brooke Wright daughter Selden S. and Joanna his wife January 9th 1853

Deaths

. . . .

Robert Walker Wright son of S. S. & Joanna his wife Thursday 11th July 1850

. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Selden Stuart Wright 7 Mar 1822

. . . ."

These three Family Bible records indicate that Selden Stuart Wright was born on March 7, 1822, and married Joanna Maynard Shaw on October 15, 1846, and that Selden Stuart Wright and Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright had the following children:

1) Mary Stuart Wright, born on August 17, 1847,

2) Robert Walker Wright, born on September 27, 1848, and

3) Selden Stuart Wright, born on November 5, 1850.

On September 13, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/449 Selden S. Wright sold to his father Thomas Wright his interest in a tanyard near the Town of Tappahannock:

> "This Indenture, made and entered into this the thirteenth day of September One thousand eight hundred and forty five Between Selden S Wright of the County of Holmes and State of Mississippi of the one part, and Thomas Wright of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Selden S. Wright for and in consideration of a certain deed or instrument of writing bearing even date with this indenture signed & sealed by the said Thomas Wright by virtue of which the said Thomas Wright doth bargain sell grant and confirm unto the said Selden S Wright a certain parcel of negroes therein more fully described and named (the receipt of said instrument is hereby acknowledged) he the said Selden S Wright hath granted bargained and sold aliened and confirmed and by these presents doth grant, bargain sell and confirm unto the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns forever all his (the said Selden S. Wrights interest right title and claim to that certain tract or parcel of land called the Tanyard, situate lying and being in the County of Essex and State of Virginia near the Town of Tappahannock said land being that portion of the real estate of John Jones decd which subsequent to his death and under the provisions of his will, was allotted to his daughter Mary D. Jones afterwards Mary D. Wright now decd who intermarried while the said Thomas Wright, the metes and bounds of which said land are fully set forth in the records of the County Court of said Essex County. And the interest by this indenture intended to be conveyed being all that interest which the said Selden S. Wright may be entitled to as heir at Law of the said Mary D. Wright who was his mother; And the said Selden S. Wright for himself and his heirs the said land with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging, together with all the reversion and

reversions remainder and remainders issues and profits thereof together with every part and parcel thereof unto the said Thomas Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of him the said Selden S. Wright or his heirs shall will and doth warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said Selden S Wright hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal this the day and year first before written.

Signed Sealed and deli-	)	Selden S. Wright
vered in the pressence of	)	
L. W. Dobyns	)	
Jno. J. Wright	)	
Richd Motley	)	

Essex County Court Clerks Office September 15th 1845.

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in the Office aforesaid by Selden S. Wright to be his act and deed and admitted to record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1850 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed Selden S. Wright with the following household on October 23, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Selden S Wright	28	M		Lawyer	
Joanna Wright	19	F			
Mary Wright	3	F			
Robert Wright	1	M			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Virginia				
Virginia				
Missis		1		
Missis				

The will of 1856 Thomas Wright was dated July 11, 1855, and probated on February 14, 1856, at Holmes County, Mississippi, W.B. 1/152, listed Selden S. Wright as one of his children:

"Will of Thomas Wright, once of Essex Co., Va., now of Holmes Co., Miss. Estate, ... The farm, above-mentioned, at the end of four years, I will to the children of my son Selden Wright, to be taken in his hands, as their trustee, also a servant man, Joe and his son Ben, to S. S. Wright as trustee for his children, also the amount of his indebtedness to me at the time of my death, provided it is not more than $1500. If over, the excess to be part of my estate. I wish Selden Wright as trustee, also to receive for his children $100 as a remuneration to him for a set of drawers which I gave his aunt Roan, when he was a child, and for which I have grieved. Should either child die without issue, I will that the surviving inherit jointly; should all his children die without issue, I will that none but my own grandchildren inherit. My son, Selden S. Wright to give no security as trustee for his children. . . . . Should there be an accumulation of funds from the hire of my negroes and other sources, after doing as directed to and by my son, Kirkham Brantley Wright, I wish it every year set apart in good hands and every two years divided, as follows: to S. S. Wright, as trustee of his children one-third; to the children of my son, Thomas, one- third, (to be paid into good hands), and to the children of my daughter Emily, one-third, to be placed in the hands of her husband as trustee, until my son, K. B. Wright is twenty-one or gets his patrimonial estate (that is, my father's and mother's estate.) . . . . $500 of the balance of his indebtedness I leave to S. S. Wright, trustee for his children. This I give him to make up the amount the Tan Yard was worth. . . . ."

On May 23, 1856, at Essex County, Virginia, Selden S. Wright and Joana M. Wright of Carroll County, Mississippi, sold to Lawrence Roane 43 acres of land to perfect title in the land previously sold by his father Thomas Wright:

"This Deed made this the 23rd day of May 1856 between Selden S Wright and Joana M Wright his wife of the County of Carroll and State of Mississippi of the first part and Lawrence Roane of the County of Essex and State of Virginia of the Second part; Witnesseth that whereas Thomas Wright otherwise sometimes called Thomas Wright Jur now deceased late of the County of Holmes & State of Mississippi and formerly & prior thereto of the said County of Essex & State of Virginia the father of the Said Selden S Wright did in his life time by deed bearing date the Second day of July 1832 sell and convey to the said Lawrence Roane a certain tract or parcel of land with the appurtenances thereto belonging Situate lying and being in the County of Essex and parish of Southfarnham Containing forty three acres more or less it being that portion of the land called Dykes allotted to the Said Thomas Wright in the division of the lands devised by the late Capt John Jones of Essex County to his daughter Katura Waller, Mary Daley & Sarah A formerly & in their life time respectively wives of Rubin Livze Pitts the said Thomas Wright decd & the Said Lawrence Roane which said land is bounded as follows to wit; beginning at a stake on the main road leading from Loyds to Tappahannock corner to the Estate called Winson then in the possession of Mrs Martha Muse, running thence down and with the said road 46 poles to a Stake in said road a new made corner between the said Thomas

Wright and the lands of the said Laurence Roane which the said Roane then held in right of his wife Sarah A one of the devisees as aforesaid running thence 44 degrees west 134 poles to a pocoson or beaver dam thence up the said pocoson or beaver dam so as equally to divide the same between the lands of Doctr Austin Brockinbrough and the Cract hereby Conveyed to a corner where if intersects with the Said Windsor Estate thence South 44 degrees E 149 poles to the beginning & the reversions and reversions remainder and remainders of all and Singular the said tract or parcel of land so as aforesaid Conveyed and every part and parcel thereof & all the rents, issues, sesues services and property to the same or any part or parcel thereof incident belonging or appurtaining & also all and every the Estate & Estates rights titles claims interests and demands whatsoever of the said Thomas Wright and his heirs and of all and every person & persons whatsoever & whereas the within named Selden S Wright and Sarah Waller Wright the tract deed in referencey were the only ofspring of said Thomas Wright & the said Mary D and as such was before the death of his said father entitled in remainder to said tract of land & since the death of his sd father is entitled to the same in fee & whereas the said Seldon S Wright is willing and desirous to assure and perfect the title to the same to the said Lawrence Roane in absolute fee simple in Conformity & ratification of the Conveyance heretofore made by his said father Now therefore for and in Consideration of the premises & for and in consideration of the Sum of one dollar to the Said Selden S Wright & Joanna M his wife in hand paid they do grant & convey unto the Said Lawrence Roane the tract or parcel of land herein before mentioned and described & they the said Selden S Wright & Joanna M his wife do covenant with the Said Lawrence Roane that they will warrant the title to the same against themselves & their heirs & all and every person or persons claiming by for though or under them or either of them Witness the following signatures & Seals

Selden S Wright
J. M Wright

The State of Mississippi)
Carroll County)

I John P Marshall Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Mississippi do Certify that Selden S Wright whose name is Signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date 23 day of May 1856 has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this 11th day of Sep 1857

John P Marshall J.P.

The State of Mississippi Carroll County to wit;

We John P. Marshall & A G Pittey Justices of the peace for the Count of Carroll in the State of Mississippi do certify that Joanna M Wright wife of Seldon S Wright whose signatures & names to the writing hereto annexed bearing date 23d May 1856 personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid & being examined by us privily & apart from her husband & having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her She the said Joanna M. acknowledged the said writing to be her act & and & declared that she had willingly executed the same & does not wish to retract it Given under our hands this 11th day of Sep 1857.

John P Marshall JP
A G Pettey

Essex County Court Clerk's Office October 2nd 1857

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the testimonials from the State of Mississippi thereon endorsed admitted to record

Teste."

The 1860 Census for San Francisco, California, listed S. S. Wright with the following household on June 9, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
S. S. Wright	38	M		Attorney	3000
Joanna Wright	30	F			
Mary S Wright	12	F			
Stuart S Wright	9	M			
Nannie Wright	7	F			
George T Wright	5	M			
Sarah M Wright	3	F			
Lizzie Wright	11/12	F			
Eliza S Shaw	29	F			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
4000	Va				
	Va				
	Miss				
	Miss				
	Miss				
	Miss				
	Miss				
	Miss				
	Va				

This record indicates that Selden Stuart Wright was born in about 1822 and that Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright was born in about 1830.

The 1870 Census for San Francisco, California, listed Selden S. Wright with the following household on August 1, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Selden S. Wright	48	M	W	Probate Judge	2___
Johanna Wright	40	F	W		
Stewart Wright	19	M	W		
Anne Wright	17	F	W		
George T. Wright	15	M	W		
Eliza S. Wright	11	F	W		
Ralph Wright	5	M	W		
Roberta _. Wright	2	F	W		

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
5000	Virginia			.	
	Virginia			.	
	Mississippi			1	
	Mississippi			1	
	Mississippi			1	
	Mississippi			1	
	California			.	
	California			.	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	

This record indicates that Selden Stuart Wright was born in about 1822 and that Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright was born in about 1830.

The 1880 Census for San Francisco, California, listed Selden Wright with the following household on June 5, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Selden Wright	W	M	57		
Joanna Wright	W	F	50		Wife
Stewart Wright	W	M	29		Son
Ann Wright	W	F	27		Daughter
George Wright	W	M	25		Son
Eliza Wright	W	F	20		Daughter
Ralph Wright	W	M	15		Son
Roberta Wright	W	F	12		Daughter
William Wright	W	M	8		Son
Walker B. Wright	W	M	3		Son
Maria Gresck	W	F	30		Servant
Maria Doherty	W	F	31		Servant

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Lawyer		
M		Keeping house		
M		Lawyer		
S		at home		
S		Clerk County Clerks office		
S		at Home		
S		at School		
S		at School		
S		.		
S		.		
S		Domestic servant		
S		Domestic servant		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Mass	Virginia
			Mississippi	Virginia	Virginia
			Mississippi	Virginia	Virginia
			Mississippi	Virginia	Virginia
			Mississippi	Virginia	Virginia
			California	Virginia	Virginia
			California	Virginia	Virginia
			California	Virginia	Virginia
			Switzerland	Virginia	Virginia
			Germany	Germany	Germany
			New York	Ireland	Ireland

This record indicates that Selden Stuart Wright was born in about 1823 and that Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright was born in about 1830.

In her email dated July 10, 2008, Susan Crawford enclosed an obituary for Selden S. Wright dated February 28, 1893, from the San Francisco Call Bulletin:

> "Ex-Judge Wright.
> His Sudden Death Sunday in Alameda.
> Biographical Sketch of a Man Who Was Probate Judge, County Judge and Supervisor.
>
> Selden S. Wright, the well known attorney, ex-Judge and at one time Supervisor of this city, died suddenly last Sunday morning at his home in Alameda.
>
> Mr. Wright had been ill for two weeks a short time since and had fully recovered. Last Saturday he came to this city, transacted some business, returning to his home in the evening. Shortly after his return he was taken with an attack of pleurisy, and from that moment, in spite of all that medical aid and mind and willing heads could do for him, he continued to sink until 7 o'clock the following morning when he died.
>
> Selden S. Wright was born in Virginia, March 7, 1822, and at the age of 20 left the William and Mary College a graduate. Soon afterward he removed to Mississippi where he practiced law from 1843 to 1851. He then removed to Yazoo City and after a residence of less than a year was elected Vice-Chancellor of the middle district of the state. He was re-elected in 1855, but resigned to resume the practice of law at Carrollton, where he continued as an attorney until

1859, when he removed to California. He took up his residence in this city and practiced law until 1868, when he was elected Probate Judge.

After serving a full term of four years he was commissioned in 1877 by Governor Booth, who was of opposite political persuasion to fill the unexpired term of John A. Stanley as County Judge of San Francisco and the following year he was elected to the same office for four years.

Mr. Wright was the Democratic candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court in 1876, but failed at election, being defeated by A. E. Rhodes, Republican. While Probate Judge the celebrated Rawes will case was tried before him.

Recently he was a member of the Board of Supervisors, having been elected to fill a vacancy occurring in the Second Ward caused by the death of D. R. Jackson.

In his law practice in San Francisco he was associated at various times with D. P. Beknap, John F. Swift, George A. Nourse and his sons, George T. and Stuart S. Wright.

In the earlier years of his life he contributed largely to the secular and religious press. He was an active member of the First Baptist Church of San Francisco having become a convert to that denomination in Mississippi at the age of 21.

Deceased leaves a widow and his children, all of whom reside in this city or near by.

The funeral will take place at 2 p.m. tomorrow from the family residence, 710 Lombard street.

Dr. Edward R. Taylor yesterday made a formall announcement in Judge Coffey's court of the death of ex-Judge Selden S. Wright, accompanied with a brief eulogy, in which Judge Coffey concurred."

The 1900 Census for Alameda County, California, listed Joanna Wright with the following household on June 1, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		4	4	Joanna Wright Ralph K Wright Anne B Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	F	May	1830	70	W
Son	W	M	Apr	1865	35	S
Daughter	W	F	Jan	1853	47	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
.	12	8	Virginia	Massachusetts	Virginia
			California	Virginia	Virginia
			Mississippi	Virginia	Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			.		
			Landlord	0	
			Farmer	0	
			Farmer	0	

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
Yes	Yes	Yes	O	M	H	4
Yes	Yes	Yes				
Yes	Yes	Yes				

This record indicates that Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright was born in May 1830.

The 1900 Census for San Francisco, California, also listed Joanna Wright with the following household on June 6, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
Lombard	912	101	125	Joanna Wright Ralph K Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	F	May	1831	69	W
Son	W	M	Apr	1865	35	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
.	12	8	Virginia California	Massachusetts Virginia	Virginia Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			. Landlord		

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
Yes	Yes	Yes	O		H	
Yes	Yes	Yes				

This record indicates that Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright was born in May 1831.

The 1910 Census for San Francisco, California, listed Joanna M. Wright with the following household on April 26, 1910:

	Location				Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
Line Number	Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	
	Lombard Street	910	53	54	Joanna M. Wright Ann A. B. Wright Ralph H. Wright

Relationship	Personal Description						
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number now living
Head	F	W	79	Wd	63	12	8
Daughter	F	W	57	S			
Son	M	W	44	S			

Nativity			Citizenship	
Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.				
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Virginia	Massachusetts	Virginia		
Mississippi	Virginia	Virginia		
California	Virginia	Virginia		

	Occupation		
Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	None		
English	None		
English	None		

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee.		Education		
Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Whether able to read	Whether able to write	Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
		Yes	Yes	
		Yes	Yes	
		Yes	Yes	

Ownership of Home				Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
Owned or Rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule			
O	M	H				

This record indicates that Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright was born in about 1831.

Woman's Who's Who Of America, 1914-1915 listed the following for Joanna Maynard Wright:

> "Wright, Joanna Maynard (Mrs. Selden Stuart Wright), 910 Lombard St., San Francisco, Cal.
> Born Richmond, Va., May 26, 1830; dau. Oliver Abbot and Ann Aylette (Brooke Shaw; ed. in private schools of Philadelphia; m. Lexington, Holmes Co., Miss., Oct. 15, 1846, Selden Stuart Wright (died Feb. 26, 1893); children: Mary Stuart, Robert Walker, Selden Stuart, Ann Aylette Brooke, George Thomas, Sarah Maynard, Eliza Shaw, Page Braxton, Ralph Kirkham, Roberta Lee, William Hammond, Brooke Maynard. Organizer and pres. of Nat. Soc. of Colonial Dames of America resident in the State of California; chairman of the Order of Descendants of Colonial Governors in the State of California, and organizer of the United Daughters of the Confederacy on the Pacific Coast. Charter mem. Century Club of California. Episcopalian. Democrat."

In her email dated July 10, 2008, Susan Crawford also enclosed an obituary for Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright dated May 30, 1919, from the San Francisco Chronicle:

> "Judge Wright's Widow Passess
> Prominent Local Clubwoman Dies After Apoplexy Stroke, Aged 90
>
> Mrs. Selden S. Wright, widow of one of the early day judges of San Francisco and organizer and president for many years of the Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter of the Daughter of the Confederacy, died yesterday morning at her home at 910 Lombard street. Two months ago Mrs. Wright suffered a stroke of apoplexy. Mrs. Wright was one of the founders of local society. Born 90 years ago in Richmond, Va., daughter of Oliver Abbott Shaw, one of the early graduates and subsequently a member of the faculty of Yale, she was the belle of an aristocratic Southern set, when she married Selden Stuart Wright of Mississippi.
>
> After a year in Mississippi the Wrights came to San Francisco in 1859. Through the sixties Wright was a Probate Judge and was later appointed a city and county Judge by Governor Newton Booth, to be elected and re-elected subsequently.
>
> Mrs. Wright was a charter member of the Century Club, one of the organizers of the Saturday Morning Orchestra, organizer and president of the Colonial Dames of America and organizer and first president of Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy.
>
> Mrs. Wright leaves eight children, fifteen grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter. The children are: Stuart S. Wright, attorney

of Stockton; George T. Wright, attorney of this city; Miss Nannie Wright; Ralph Wright; Mrs. John D. Tallant; William H. Wright, astronomer of the Lick Observatory; Mrs. George H. Hellmann of Palo Alto and Brooke M. Wright, District Attorney at Friday Harbor, Wash.

The funeral will be held tomorrow from the family residence on Lombard street. Bishop W. F. Nichols will conduct the services."

In her email dated July 10, 2008, Susan Crawford also enclosed a biographical sketch of Selden S. Wright from History of the San Francisco Bay Region, Vol. 3, by Bailey Millard, published in 1924 which provided as follows:

"Selden S. Wright

It was indeed a distinguished lawyer and prominent citizen, an honored and old member of the Bar Association of San Francisco, to use the words of a resolution of that association passed [to] commemorate the memory and career of Selden S. Wright when he died in the City of Alameda February 26, 1893. Judge Wright was a typical gentleman of the old southern regime, a man of high ideals and a lawyer of exceptional talent.

He was born in Essex County, Virginia, March 7, 1822, and was seventy-one years of age when he died. He represented an old Virginia family. He graduated from the College of William and Mary in 1842, and was admitted to the bar in 1843. During the same year he removed to Mississippi and entered upon the practice of law in partnership with Hon. Walker Brooke, who later became United States senator. He continued his private practice until 1851, when he was elected vice chancellor of the Middle District of Mississippi and was reelected in 1855. In his early manhood Judge Wright married Miss Joanna Maynard Shaw, niece of Hon. Walker Brooke. She was likewise born in Virginia, daughter of Rev. Oliver Abbott Shaw, a prominent clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and was for a number of years rector of the old historic St. Mark's Church in the City of Philadelphia. Mrs. Wright, after coming to California, became known as a woman of distinctive culture. She was the organizer in California of the Society of the Colonial Dames, and also had the distinction of organizing the First Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy west of the Rocky Mountains.

Judge and Mrs. Wright became the parents of twelve children. Eight are now living; Stuart Selden Wright, Ann Brooke Wright, George T. Wright, Eliza, wife of John D. Tallant, Ralph K., Roberta W., who is Mrs. George Hellman; William Hammond Wright and Brooke Wright. The mother of these children passed away at the age of eighty-nine.

The services and activities that made the name of Selden S. Wright so well known and honored in his profession and in public affairs in California are concisely described in the resolution of the Bar Association previously mentioned, of which may appropriately be quoted here:

'In 1859, having resigned the office of vice-chancellor in Mississippi, he started for California, reaching San Francisco in 1860. Here he soon attracted the attention of his brethren of the bar by his learning and courteous bearing, and became associated in practice at different times with Hon. F. Swift, D. P. Belknap, Esq., and Gen. George A. Nourse, and later with his sons, Stuart S. and George T. Wright, Esq.

In 1866 he received the democratic nomination for district attorney of this city and county, but was defeated with his party; in 1869 he was elected probate judge of this city, and served with distinguished ability the full term of four years. In 1869 he received the democratic nomination for supreme judge, but was defeated by Hon. A. I. Rhodes. In 1875 he was appointed judge of the County Court to fill a vacancy by Gov. Newton Booth, a Republican, and was elected by the people to the same office on the expiration of his term. In 1869 he was appointed a member of the Board of Supervisors of this city by Mayor E. B. Pond, and held office until the end of his term.

We have thus briefly sketched the career and noted the important offices which our brother held. That he displayed in the discharge of the onerous and various duties imposed upon him by his fellow citizens rare tact and learning, high integrity and fairness is the testimony of all who came in contact with him.

Indeed, his courtesy and unfailing good temper were proverbial, and yet no judge on the bench ever maintained better order or secured greater respect from litigants and lawyers. During an occupancy of the bench for more than ten years, and when great estates were involved, your committee can recall no single instance of unseemly conduct in his presence.

But it was in his home and among his family and intimates that our friend appeared at his best and drew all hearts toward him. His hospitality, his generosity, his wide charity and kindly wisdom will long be remembered and appreciated by those who knew him best and loved him most.

In the death of Judge Wright, the legal profession has lost one of its foremost members, the bench one of its ablest administrators, and the people an official devoted to their true interests.' Signed by the committee of the Bar Association, Columbus Bartlett, E. D. Sawyer and Thos. F. Barry."

In his email dated February 27, 2007, Eric J. Toney stated that Seldon Wright attended William & Mary College and after graduation moved to Lexington, Mississippi, and in 1851 moved to San Francisco, California, where he became a judge.

In her email dated July 10, 2008, Susan Crawford enclosed a family report prepared by Ernie Matlock which stated that Selden Stuart Wright was a son of Thomas Wright and Mary D. (Jones) Wright, was born on March 7, 1822, in Essex County, Virginia, graduated from the College of William and Mary in 1842, was admitted to the bar in 1843, moved in 1843 to Lexington, Holmes County, Mississippi, married Joanna Maynard Shaw on October 15, 1846, in Lexington, Holmes County, Mississippi, moved in 1851 to Yazoo City, Yazoo County, Mississippi, was elected in 1851 as Vice Chancellor of the Middle District of Mississippi, moved in about 1856 to Carrolton, Carroll County, Mississippi, moved in 1859 to San Francisco, California, was elected in 1869 as probate judge of San Francisco, was appointed in 1869 as a member of the Board of Supervisor of San Francisco, was appointed in 1875 judge of the county court, and died on February 26, 1893, in Alameda, Alameda County, California, that Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright was born on May 26, 1830, in Richmond, Virginia, organized the California Chapter of the Society of the Colonial Dames and the Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, and died on May 29, 1919, in San Francisco, California, and that Selden Stuart Wright and Joanna Maynard (Shaw) Wright had the following children:

1) Mary Stuart (Wright) Hooper, born on August 17, 1847, in Lexington, Holmes County, Mississippi,

2) Robert Walker Wright, born on September 17, 1848, in Lexington, Holmes County, Mississippi,

3) Stuart Selden Wright, born on November 5, 1850, in Yazoo City, Yazoo County, Mississippi,

4) Anne Aylette Brooke Wright, born on January 9, 1853, in Yazoo City, Yazoo County, Mississippi,

5) George Thomas Wright, born on March 22, 1855, in Yazoo City, Yazoo County, Mississippi,

6) Sarah Maynard Wright, born on May 26, 1857, in Carrolton, Carroll County, Mississippi,

7) Eliza Shaw (Wright) Tallant, born on June 12, 1859, in Carrolton, Carroll County, Mississippi,

8) Page Braxton Wright, born on January 27, 1863, in San Francisco, California,

9) Ralph Kirkham Wright, born on April 22, 1865, in San Francisco, California,

10) Roberta Evelyn Lee (Wright) Hellmann, born on January 30, 1868, in San Francisco, California,

11) William Hammond Wright, born on November 4, 1871, in San Francisco, California, and

12) Walker Brooke Maynard Wright, born on January 30, 1877, in Geneva, Switzerland.

ii. Sally Waller Wright

Sally Waller Wright was a daughter of 1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, and Mary "Polly" (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1856 Thomas[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Sally Waller Wright daughter of the same was born on monday night the 8th of September 1823

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Sally Waller Wright daughter of Thos. Wright Jr and Mary D. his Wife departed this life 26th June 1826

. . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Sally Waller Wright daughter same born 8th Sept. 1823

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Sally Waller Wright daughter of T. Wright & Mary D. his wife 26th June 1826

. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Sally Waller Wright 8th Sept. 1823

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Sally Waller Wright June 26. 1826

. . . ."

iii. 1893 Thomas Shepherd Wright Of Holmes County, Mississippi, His Wife Mary Elizabeth (Walton) Wright, And His Descendants

1893 Thomas Shepherd Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, was a son of 1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, and Mary Elizabeth (Shepherd) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1856 Thomas[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Thomas Wright (Younger) son of Thos Wright Jr and Mary E his wife was born 22nd June 1826

. . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

Marriages

. . . .

Thomas Shepherd Wright son of Thomas Wright and Mary D his wife and Mary E Walton of Holmes County Missi, 15th June 184_,

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Thos. Shepherd Wright son of T Wright & Mary D his wife, born 22nd June 1826

. . . .

Thomas Walton Wright son of T. Shepherd Wright and Mary E his wife 14th Septr 1848
. . . .
James Benton, son T. S Wright and Mary E. his wife 1st Feby 1851
Mary Shepherd, daughter of T S Wright and Mary his wife born May 30th 1852
. . . .

Deaths
. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
. . . .

Births
Thomas Shepherd Wright June 1826
. . . ."

These three Family Bible records indicate that Thomas Shepherd Wright was born on June 22, 1826, and married Mary E. Walton on June 15, 184_, and that Thomas Shepherd Wright and Mary E. (Walton) Wright had the following children:

1) Thomas Walton Wright, born on September 14, 1848, and

2) James Benton Wright, born on February 1, 1851.

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas S. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Thomas S Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
1					

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.60

The 1846 and later Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, did not list a Thomas S. Wright.

The will of 1856 Thomas Wright dated July 11, 1855, and probated on February 14, 1856, at Holmes County, Mississippi, W.B. 1/152, listed Thomas S. Wright as one of his children:

> "Will of Thomas Wright, once of Essex Co., Va., now of Holmes Co., Miss. Estate, ... Having done so much more for Thomas during my life than his dear mother requested, for which I fear he was the least thankful of all, should his children live to the age of 25 years, I wish all the negroes I acquired by marriage with his mother to be equally divided equally between them, this division to take place upon the first child arriving at that age, and those of tender age, I wish theirs to be placed in the hands of trustee for their benefit and to have their portions of the negroes assigned them as each arrives at that age. The negroes to be hired out, year after year, but I do not wish my son, Thomas, or his wife, to hire any. Should there be an accumulation of funds from the hire of my negroes and other sources, after doing as directed to and by my son, Kirkham Brantley Wright, I wish it every year set apart in good hands and every two years divided, as follows: to S. S. Wright, as trustee of his children one-third; to the children of my son, Thomas, one- third, (to be paid into good hands), ... The balance of Povall's debt to be equally divided between the children of my son, Tom S. S. Wright, for his children and the child or children of my daughter, Emily. . . . ."

The 1860 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed T. S. Wright with the following household on July 17, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
T S Wright	36	M		Farmer	9600
M E Wright	28	F			
T W Wright	11	M			
J B Wright	9	M			
M S Wright	8	F			
Jno McS. Wright	5	M			
Seldon Wright	3	M			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
16963	Virginia				
	Georgia				
	Miss.				
	Miss.				
	Miss.				
	Miss.				
	Miss.				

This record indicates that Thomas Shepherd Wright was born in about 1824 and that Mary Elizabeth (Walton) Wright was born in about 1832.

The 1870 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed Thomas S. Wright with the following household on July 25, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Thos S. Wright	43	M	W	Planter & Minister	1500
Mary E Wright	38	F	W	Keeps house	2000
Tom W. Wright	21	M	W	Teacher	
James B. Wright	19	M	W	Farmer	
John B. Wright	15	M	W	Farmer	
Selden Wright	13	M	W	.	
Lelina Wright	10	F	W	.	
Emily Q Wright	8	F	W	.	
Henry S Wright	6	M	W	.	
Franky L Wright	4	F	W	.	
Eunice Wright	2	F	W	.	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
50	Va			.	
1500	Ga			.	
	Miss			.	
	Miss			1	
	Miss			1	
	Miss			1	
	Miss			1	
	Miss			1	
	Miss			1	
	Miss			.	
	Miss			.	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	
		.	
		1	

This record indicates that Thomas Shepherd Wright was born in about 1827 and that Mary Elizabeth (Walton) Wright was born in about 1832.

The 1880 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed T. S. Wright with the following household in June 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
T S Wright	W	M	54		.
M E Wright	W	F	48		wife
Selden S Wright	W	M	23		Son
Emily Wright	W	F	17		Daught
Harry Wright	W	M	16		Son
F L Wright	W	F	13		Daught
E W Wright	W	F	12		Daught
R C Wright	W	M	11		Son
A V Wright	W	F	9		Daught
A E Wright	W	F	6		Daught

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unem-ployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		minister		
M		Keeping House		
S				
S				
S				
S				
S				
S				
S				
S				

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
.			Va	Va	Va
.			Ga	Ga	Ga
.			Miss	Va	Ga
1			Miss	Va	Ga
1			Miss	Va	Ga
1			Miss	Va	Ga
1			Miss	Va	Ga
1			Miss	Va	Ga
1			Miss	Va	Ga
1			Miss	Va	Ga

This record indicates that Thomas Shepherd Wright was born in about 1826 and that Mary Elizabeth (Walton) Wright was born in about 1832.

The 1900 Census for Washington, D.C., listed Maria E. Wright with the following household on June 2, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
Pa Avenue	2434	95	97	Maria E Wright Lyna Bayusee Chas E Bayusee Fannie L Goodale Emma Wright Elizabeth Wright Anna M Wright Alva J Wright Mary E Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	F	Sep	1831	68	Wd
daughter	W	F	May	1862	38	M
son in law	W	M	Jun	1855	44	M
daughter	W	F	Sep	1867	32	Wd
daughter	W	F	Nov	1866	33	S
daughter	W	F	Oct	1876	23	S
Gd. daughter	W	F	Sep	1883	16	S
Gd. daughter	W	F	Jan	1886	14	S
Gd. daughter	W	F	Oct	1888	11	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
.	13	11	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia
9	.	.	Mississippi	Virginia	Virginia
9	0	0	New York	New York	New York
.	0	0	Mississippi	Virginia	Georgia
.	.	.	Mississippi	Virginia	Georgia
.	.	.	Mississippi	Virginia	Georgia
.	.	.	Mississippi	Virginia	Georgia
.	.	.	Mississippi	Virginia	Georgia
.	.	.	Mississippi	Mississippi	Georgia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			.	.	.
			.	.	.
			Clerk Govt	0	.
			.	.	.
			Clerk Govt	0	.
			Clerk Govt	0	.
			at school	.	9
			at school	.	9
			at school	.	9

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	R		H	
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				

This record indicates that Mary Elizabeth (Walton) Wright was born in September 1831.

iv. Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Trible, Her Husband Austin M. Trible, And Her Descendants

Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Trible was a daughter of 1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, and Ann Maria (Garnett) (Noel) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1856 Thomas[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

> "Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va
>
> Marriages
>
> . . . .
>
> Austin M Trible and Mary E. Wright daughter of Thomas Wright and Ann M. his wife married 1st May 1845.
>
> . . . .
>
> Births
>
> . . . .
>
> Mary Elizabeth daughter of T Wright & Ann M. his wife 20th May 1828
>
> . . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Mary E. ____ daughter of T. Wright & Ann M. his wife 12th March 1846

. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Mary Elizabeth Wright May 1828

. . . ."

The marriage record of Mary E. Wright and Austin M. Trible was dated on April 30, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Know all Men by these Presents - That we Austin M Trible and James M. Marchand are held and firmly bound unto The Commonwealth of Virginia, for the time being, and to his successors in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Witness our hands and seals, the 30th day of April 1845.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such - That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the said Austin M Trible and Miss Mary E Wright, daughter of Thomas Wright, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

The words ____ of the Commonwealth of Virginia erased ____ bond before signed)

Executed in the presence of A M Trible
Edward C. Christian James M Marchand

Clerk's Office of ____ County Court, ____ day of ____ 18_.

Personally appeared before me, in my Office, ____ and made oath, that the above named ____ and ____ are, each, above the age of 21 years, and that the said ____ usually resides in said county."

Marriage Notices From Richmond, Virginia Newspapers, 1841-1853 listed the marriage notice for Mary Elizabeth Wright and Austin M. Trible on May 1, 1845, in Essex County, Virginia:

> "Married at Farmer's Hall in Essex Co., May 1, 1845, by Rev. John Bird, Austin M. Trible, attorney at law, to Mary Elizabeth Wright, oldest dau. of Thomas Wright, Esq., all of Essex Co. RE, Jun. 3 and 6, 1845, p. 2; RDE, Jun. 4, 1845, p. 2"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary E. Wright was a daughter of Thomas Wright, Jr., and Mary D. (Jones) Wright, married Auston Trible in 1845, and resided in Lynchburg, that Auston Trible was born in 1818 and died in 1872, and that Mary E. (Wright) Trible and Auston Trible had the following child:

1) Julia (Trible) Huger.

v. Virginia Louise (Wright) Boulware And Her Husband Gray Boulware, Jr.

Virginia Louise (Wright) Boulware was a daughter of 1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, and Ann Maria (Garnett) (Noel) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1856 Thomas[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

> "Family Record
> . . . .
>
> Died, at Arcadia, on the 16th of April, Mrs. V. L. Boulware, wife of Gray Boulware, Jr., of Caroline County, Va (1829-1848)
> . . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

Marriages

. . . .

Gray Boulware Jr. and Virginia Louisa, daughter of same, 21st April 1846.

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Virginia Louisa daughter T Wright & Ann M. his wife 28th January 1830

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Virginia Louisa Boulware daughter same 16th April 1849

. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Louisa Virginia Wright Jany 28 1830

. . . ."

The marriage record of Virginia L. Wright and Gray Boulware was dated March 28, 1846, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Know all Men by these Presents - That we Gray Boulware and Joseph J Gouldman are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia, for the time being, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Witness our hands and seals, the 28th day of March 1846

The Condition of the above Obligation is such - That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the said Gray Boulware and Miss Virginia L Wright then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Executed in the presence of Gray Boulman
James M Matthews J J Gouldman

Clerk's Office of ____ County Court, ____ day of ____ 18_.

Personally appeared before me, in my Office, ____ and made oath, that the above named ____ and ____ are, each, above the age of 21 years, and that the said ____ usually resides in said county."

Marriage Notices From Richmond, Virginia Newspapers, 1841-1853 listed the marriage notice for Virginia Louisa Wright and Gray Boulware, Jr., on April 21, 1846, in Essex County, Virginia:

"Married at Farmer's Hall, April 21, 1846, by Rev. John Bird, Gray Boulware, Jr., Esq. of Caroline, to Miss Virginia Louisa Wright, dau. of Thomas Wright, Esq., of Essex Co. RC, Apr. 25, 1846, p. 2; RDW, Apr. 27, 1846, p. 2; RDE and RE, Apr. 28, 1846, p. 2; RW and RWPA, Apr. 28, 1846, p. 4"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that V. L. Wright was a daughter of Thomas Wright, Jr., and Mary D. (Jones) Wright and married Gray Boulware.

vi. Ann Maria Garnett Wright

Ann Maria Garnett Wright was a daughter of 1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, and Ann Maria (Garnett) (Noel) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1856 Thomas[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Ann Marie Garnett Wright daughter same, born 6th Sept. 1832

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Ann Maria Garnett Wright daughter T. Wright Jr & Ann M. his wife, 12th Septr 1833

. . . ."

vii. Emily Matilda (Wright) Povall, Her Husband John Paul Povall, And Her Descendants

Emily Matilda (Wright) Povall was a daughter of 1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, and Ann Maria (Garnett) (Noel) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1856 Thomas[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

Marriages

. . . .

John P. Povall and Emily M. Wright daughter of Thomas Wright & Ann M his wife all of Holmes Cty. Missi 28th September 1852

Births

. . . .

Emily Matilda Wright daughter same born 19th Decemr 1833

. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Emily Matilda Wright Dec 19 1833

. . . .

Thomas Wright & his wife & his two daughters Emily Matilda & Ann Garnett took the Mary Washington Steam Boat for Mississippi at Layters on the 29th November 1848"

The 1850 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed Emily Wright in the Thomas Wright household on October 3, 1850, and her age as 17 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1833.

Marriage Notices From Richmond, Virginia Newspapers, 1841-1853 listed the marriage notice for Emily M. Wright and John P. Povall on September 28, 1852, in Holmes County, Mississippi:

"Married on the morning of the 28th of Sep. 1852, at Wilbraham, the residence of Thos. S. Wright, Holmes Co. Miss., by Elder Benjamin Hodges, John P. Povall, Esq., of Lexington, Miss., to Miss Emily M. Wright, dau. of Thomas Wright, Esq., formerly of Essex Co. Va. RDW, Oct. 15, 1852, p. 2; RE, Oct 12, 1852, p. 3"

On August 2, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/637 Thomas Wright gifted to his daughter Emily M. Povall a life estate in 525 acres of land held as tenant by curtesy in right of his deceased wife Ann Maria (Noel) Wright:

"State of Mississippi)
Homes County)

Whereas I have a life estate as Tenant by Curtesy in a certain parcel of land lying in the County of Essex and State of Virginia Known as Farmers Hall the Same being the lands of my late wife Ann Maria who before her marriage with me was Ann Maria Noel and whereas I am also entitled to a portion of the reversion in Said lands which I inherited from my daughter Laura Boulware, and Ann G Wright and whereas I wish to convey to my daughter Emily M Povall my only Surviving child by my Said wife Ann Maria all my interest in Said Lands. Now in Consideration of the natural love and affection which I bear to my Said daughter Emily and for the further consideration of one dollar in hand paid the receipt of of which is hereby acknowledged, I have given granted, bargained, sold released surrendered and given up and do by these presents give, grant bargain Sell, release Surrender and give up to my said daughter Emily M. Povall for and during the term of my natural life the above mentioned parcel or tract of land lying being and Situate as aforesaid in the County of Essex and State of Virginia and bounded by the land of Robert M T Hunter, Robert P. Warings Estate B D Pitts and others and containing about five hundred and twenty five acres more or less to have and hold the Same to her and her heirs for and during the term of my natural life. And for the considerations above mentioned I have also given granted bargained, Sold released surrendered and given up and do by these presents give grant bargain sell release Surrender and give up to my

Said daughter Emily M Povall and her heirs, all my interest in the reversion of Said lands to have and to hold the Same to her and her heirs forever. Provided however that if my said daughter Emily Should die without heirs of her body one half of the proceeds of the Sale of Said property in case of its Sale, Shall revert to the grantor in this deed and his heirs In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal on this the Second day of August 1854.

Thos: Wright

State of Mississippi)
Holmes County)

We Abner V Rowe and Wilson A Purdon Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid and State of Mississippi do hereby Certify that Thomas Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 2nd day of August 1854 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the Same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the Said acknowledgment to the clerk of the County Court of Essex County and State of Virginia in order that the Said deed may be recorded Given under our hands and Seals this Second day of August 1854

A V Rowe JP
W A Purdon JP

The State of Mississippi)
Holmes County)

I Armistead G. Otey Clerk of the Probate Court in & for Said County, do hereby Certify that A V Rowe and Wilson A Purdon whoes names is Signed to the above & foregoing Certificate of acknowledgement is now and was at the time of Signing the Same acting Justices of the Peace in & for Said County, duly elected qualified and Commissioned according to law and that all their official acts are & should be entitled to full faith & credit

Given under my hand & Seal of office at Lexington this the 2nd day of August AD 1854.

A G Otey Clk

State of Mississippi)
Holmes County)

I, Richmond J Brown Judge of the Probate Court of Said County & State, do hereby Certify that A G. Otey whose genuine Signature appears to the foregoing certificate & attestation is and was at the time thereof clerk of the Said Court duly

elected qualified & commissioned and that his Said Certificate and attestation are in due form of law and that all his acts, in the premises are and ought to be entitled to full faith and credit in judicature & thereout Given under my hand and private Seal there being the Seal of Office this August 2d 1854

Richmond J Brown
Judge of Probatus of H.C. Miss

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 18th day of December 1854

This Deed was this day produced in Court and with the testimonials accompanying the Same from the State of Mississippi was Ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The will of 1856 Thomas Wright was dated July 11, 1855, and probated on February 14, 1856, at Holmes County, Mississippi, W.B. 1/152, listed Emily Wright as one of his children:

"Will of Thomas Wright, once of Essex Co., Va., now of Holmes Co., Miss. Estate, ... Should there be an accumulation of funds from the hire of my negroes and other sources, after doing as directed to and by my son, Kirkham Brantley Wright, I wish it every year set apart in good hands and every two years divided, as follows: to S. S. Wright, as trustee of his children one-third; to the children of my son, Thomas, one- third, (to be paid into good hands), and to the children of my daughter Emily, one-third, to be placed in the hands of her husband as trustee, until my son, K. B. Wright is twenty-one or gets his patrimonial estate (that is, my father's and mother's estate.) I now direct that the negroes and their increase I may leave, which I acquired by marriage with the mother of my daughter, Emily, be taken possession of by John P. Povall, only as trustee for my daughter Emily, also my household and kitchen furniture, except my mahogany bookcase to her daughter, Ann G. Wright, a mahogany table (small) to my granddaughter, Mary Shepherd Wright. Should my daughter Emily die without (other) issue then I wish her surviving child to inherit all I give her. Mr. Povall's indebtedness to me, by bond, of $1000, which I leave in the hands of trustee for my dau. Emily, to be applied to her benefit when Kirkham is 21, or gets the estate I leave him. . . . . The balance of Povall's debt to be equally divided between the children of my son, Tom S. S. Wright, for his children and the child or children of my daughter, Emily. . . . . Codocil. To my dear children, Selden, Emily and son-in-law John Povall, I commit my dearest little tender, motherless, dependant and necessetous infant, Kirkham Brantly Wright, may the blessing of heaven attend him. . . . ."

The 1860 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed John P. Povall with the following household on June15, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John P Povall	39	M		Lawyer	3000
Emilly M Povall	26	F			
Ann G Povall	6	F			
Wm S. Povall	1	M			
Kirkham B Wright	9	M			
John P Povall agent for J W Gordon as agent for S & E Povall					
John E Povall as Guar Kirkham Wright					

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
15868	Virginia		.		
.	Virginia		.		
.	Miss		1		
.	Miss		.		
.	Miss		1		
1600					
3000					
8250					

This record indicates that indicates that Emily Matilda (Wright) Povall was born in about 1834 and that John Paul Povall was born in about 1821.

The 1870 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed Jno. P. Povall with the following household on June 16, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Jno P Povall	49	M	W	Lawyer	2000
Maine Povall	45	F	W	Keeps House	
Wm S Povall	11	M	W	.	
Rosa M Povall	9	F	W	.	
Alice L Povall	8	F	W	.	
Roland Povall	6/12	M	W	.	
Kirk D Wright	19	M	W	Student	
Emily Wright	18	F	B	Cook	
Ellen Wright	12	F	B	Nurse	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1200	Va		.	.	.
	Miss		.	.	.
	Miss		.	.	.
	Miss		.	.	.
	Miss		.	.	.
	Miss		Dec	.	.
	Miss		.	1	.
	Miss		.	.	1
	Miss		.	.	1

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
.		1	
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This record indicates that John Paul Povall was born in about 1821. The absence of Emily Matilda (Wright) Povall from the household is consistent with her death on February 27, 1870.

Eric Torney's DVD dated January 15, 2009, showed the gravestone of Emily Matilda (Wright) Povall in Lexington or Odd Fellows Cemetery, Lexington, Mississippi, which listed her as the wife of J. P. Povall and her birth on December 19, 1833, and her death on February 27, 1870.

The 1880 Census for Prentiss County, Mississippi, listed John P. Povall with the following household on June 8, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
John P. Povall	W	M	59		.
Nannie G Povall	W	F	26		Daughter
Alice L. Povall	W	F	18		Daughter
Roland Povall	W	F	10		Son
I__sajh(?) Forsythe	W	M	29		.

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
Wd		Editor		
S		Teacher		
S		At Home		
S		At School		
S		Painter		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
.			Virginia	Va.	Va.
.			Mississippi	Va.	Va.
.			Mississippi	Va.	Va.
1			Mississippi	Va.	Va.
.			Mississippi	Miss.	Mo.

This record indicates that John Paul Povall was born in about 1821.

In his letter dated February 16, 2000, Roland P. Rhyne enclosed the following biography of John Peter (Paul) Povall:

> "John P. Povall was born September 3, 1820 in Richmond Va., the son of William Goode Povall and Rosina Moseley Povall. He was educated in law at William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va. Selden Stuart Wright, his future brother-in-law, was also in the W & M law school at the same time as John and it is probably during this time that John met his future bride, Emily Matilda Wright, Selden's sister. John relocated to Holmes Co., Ms. prior to 1850 as he is listed on the Holmes Co. census for that year. Emily had moved there prior to this time and it is likely that John was so in love with her that he followed. In the Civil War, John was Captain of Co. F, 5th Mississippi Cavalry Regiment, C. S. A. During most of the war, this regiment was in Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest's command. Returning to Lexington, Holmes Col, Ms. after the war, he practiced law in that town, was a judge, and also a schoolmaster. In 1875, five years after the death of his wife, - she is buried in Odd Fellows Cemetery, Lexington, Ms. - John, with his five surviving children, moved to Booneville, Ms., where he had accepted the position of schoolmaster at that town. He later became the owner and publisher of the weekly newspaper, "The Booneville Pleader" and it was here that his two sons received their indoctrination into the newspaper and printing business. After the death of John, his son William succeeded him as head of that publication and son Roland soon returned to Lexington. John died in Booneville, July 9, 1888 and is buried there. He was survived by his two sons and three daughters, Ann Garnett Povall Walton (Mrs. George), Rosena Mary Povall Ellis (Mrs. Powhatan) and Alice Louisa Povall.*
>
> *He and Emily had five other children, none of which survived beyond the age of three. The Holmes Col website has extensive listings of Cemeteries spread throughout the county. I would estimate about 85% coverage. I have been unable to find where these children are buried."

In his letter dated February 1, 2000, Roland P. Rhyne enclosed family group sheets which stated that Emily Matilda Wright was born in 1833, married John Peter or Paul Povall, and died in 1870, that John Peter or Paul Povall was born in 1820 and died in 1888, and that Emily Matilda (Wright) Povall and John Peter or Paul Povall had the following children:

1) Ann Garnett (Povall) Walton, born in 1853,
2) Randolph Leigh Povall, born in 1856,
3) William Stuart Povall, born in 1858,
4) Rosena Mary (Povall) Ellis, born in 1860,
5) Alice Louisa Povall, born in 1862,

6) John Thomas Povall, born in 1864,

7) Charles Moseley Povall, born in 1865,

8) Ella Maude Povall, born in 1866,

9) Edith Povall, born in 1868, and

10) Roland Austin Povall, born in 1869.

viii. Ann Garnett Wright

Ann Garnett Wright was a daughter of 1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, and Ann Maria (Garnett) (Noel) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1856 Thomas[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Ann Garnett Wright daughter same born 7th Jany 1836

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Ann G. Wright of T W. & Ann M. his wife 24th Sept 1853"

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Ann Garnett Wright January 7 1836

. . . .

Thomas Wright & his wife & his two daughters Emily Matilda & Ann Garnett took the Mary Washington Steam Boat for Mississippi at Layters on the 29th November 1848"

The 1850 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed Ann Wright in the Thomas Wright household on October 3, 1850, and her age as 14 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1836.

Eric Torney's DVD dated January 15, 2009, showed the gravestone of Ann Garnett Wright in Lexington or Odd Fellows Cemetery, Lexington, Mississippi, which listed her birth on January 7, 1836.

ix. 1929 Kirkham Brantley Wright Of San Francisco, California, His Wife Melanie Jane Or Millie L. (Langley) Wright, And His Descendants

1929 Kirkham Brantley Wright of San Francisco, California, was a son of 1856 Thomas Wright of Holmes County, Mississippi, and Jennette Stoddard (Kirkham) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1856 Thomas[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Kirkham Brantley Wright son of T. Wright and Jennette S. his wife born at Mt. Auburn Holmes Cty Missi thursday abt 10 oclock 5th September 1850

. . . ."

The will of 1856 Thomas Wright dated July 11, 1855, and probated on February 14, 1856, at Holmes County, Mississippi, W.B. 1/152, listed Kirkham Brantley Wright as one of his children:

"Will of Thomas Wright, once of Essex Co., Va., now of Holmes Co., Miss. Estate, except specified bequest to be kept together, money in good hands, negroes hired and place rented out for four years after my death until my son, Kirkham Brantley Wright arrives at age 21 years. Purpose to provide for his maintenance and education at the best schools. But should my mother die before he reaches such age, I give my son, K. B. Wright, all my patrimonial estate, including land and negroes. Should the amount thus falling to him at my mother's death not be worth $8000 then I will the deficiency be made up out of any part of my estate either in Miss. or elsewhere. . . . Should there be an accumulation of funds from the hire of my negroes and other sources, after doing as directed to and by my son, Kirkham Brantley Wright, I wish it every year set apart in good hands and every two years divided, as follows: to S. S. Wright, as trustee of his children one-third; to the children of my son, Thomas, one- third, (to be paid into good hands), and to the children of my daughter Emily, one-third, to be placed in the hands of her husband as trustee, until my son, K. B. Wright is twenty-one or gets his patrimonial estate (that is, my father's and mother's estate.) . . ."

The 1860 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed Kirkham B. Wright in the John P. Povall household on June15, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John P Povall	39	M		Lawyer	3000
Emilly M Povall	26	F			
Ann G Povall	6	F			
Wm S. Povall	1	M			
Kirkham B Wright	9	M			
John P Povall agent for J W Gordon as agent for S & E Povall					
John E Povall as Guar Kirkham Wright					

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
15868	Virginia		.		
.	Virginia		.		
.	Miss		1		
.	Miss		.		
.	Miss		1		
1600					
3000					
8250					

This record indicates that indicates that Kirkham Brantley Wright was born in about 1851.

The 1870 Census for Holmes County, Mississippi, listed Kirk D. Wright in the Jno. P. Povall household on June 16, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Jno P Povall	49	M	W	Lawyer	2000
Maine Povall	45	F	W	Keeps House	
Wm S Povall	11	M	W	.	
Rosa M Povall	9	F	W	.	
Alice L Povall	8	F	W	.	
Roland Povall	6/12	M	W	.	
Kirk D Wright	19	M	W	Student	
Emily Wright	18	F	B	Cook	
Ellen Wright	12	F	B	Nurse	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1200	Va		.	.	.
	Miss		.	.	.
	Miss		.	.	.
	Miss		.	.	.
	Miss		.	.	.
	Miss		Dec	.	.
	Miss		.	1	.
	Miss		.	.	1
	Miss		.	.	1

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Kirkham Brantley Wright was born in about 1851.

In his email dated February 27, 2007, Eric J. Torney stated that Kirkham Wright married Melanie Jane Langley on January 12, 1882, in Oakland, California.

The 1900 Census for San Francisco, California, listed Kirk__ Wright with the following household on June 4, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
	2964	71	74	Kirk__ Wright Millie Wright Jeannette L. Wright Marion F. Wright Chang Sung

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or or divorced
Head	W	M	Sept	1850	49	M
Wife	W	F	Oct	1856	43	M
Daughter	W	F	Jan	1885	15	S
Daughter	W	F	Aug	1886	13	S
Servant	Ch	M	June	1872	28	M

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
18	.	.	Mississippi	Iowa	Massachusetts
18	2	2	California	England	England
.	.	.	____	Mississippi	California
.	.	.	California	Massachusetts	California
7	.	.	China	China	China

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immi-gration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Natural-ization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			commiss___	0	
			at school		10
			at school		10
			servant	0	

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	O	M	H	
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				

This record indicates that Kirkham Brantley Wright was born in September 1850, that Melanie Jane or Millie L. (Langley) Wright was born in October 1856, and that they were married in about 1882.

The passport application of Kirkham Wright dated November 12, 1904, provided as follows:

> "No. 95290 Issued Nov 12, 1904
> United States Of America
> State of)
> County of)
>
> I, Kirkham Wright, a Native and Loyal Citizen of the United States, hereby apply to the Department of State, at Washington, for a passport for myself, accompanied by my wife and two minor daughters as follows: ____ born at ____, on the ____ day of ____, 18__, and ____.
>
> I solemnly swear that I was born at Lexington in the State of Miss. on or about the 5 day of Sept, 1850; that my father was native citizen of the United States; that I am domiciled in the United States, my permanent residence being at San Francisco in the State of Cal., where I follow the occupation of merchant; that I

am about to go abroad temporarily; and that I intend to return to the United States within two years with the purpose of residing and performing the duties of citizenship therein.

Oath of Allegiance.

Further, I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; so help me God.

Sworn to before me this 12 day of Nov. 1904.
__H_dy C.P.B.

Kirkham Wright

Description of Applicant.
Age: 54 years.
Stature: 5 feet, 8-3/4 inches, Eng.
Forehead: med. high
Eyes: dark brown
Nose: regular
Mouth: mustache
Chin: oval
Hair: black
Complexion: dark
Face: oval

Identification.
Documentary"

The 1910 Census for San Francisco, California, listed Kirkham Wright with the following household on April 21, 1910:

Line Number	Location: Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
	Scott St	2504	37	37	Kirkham Wright Millie L. Wright Gee Don

Relationship	Personal Description						
						Mother of how many children	
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Number born	Number now living
head	M	W	59	M1	28	.	.
wife	F	W	53	M	28	2	2
servant	M	Ch	35	M1	10	.	.

Nativity			Citizenship	
Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.				
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Mississippi	Virginia	Massachusetts	.	.
California	Eng English	Eng English	.	.
Chi Chinese	Chi Chinese	Chi Chinese	1885	Al

	Occupation		
Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	own income	.	.
English	own income	.	.
English	cook	family	W

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee.		Education		
Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Whether able to read	Whether able to write	Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
.	.	Yes	Yes	
.	.	Yes	Yes	
No	0	Yes	Yes	

Ownership of Home				Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
Owned or Rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule			
O	F	H				

This record indicates that Kirkham Brantley Wright was born in about 1851 and that Melanie Jane or Millie L. (Langley) Wright was born in about 1857.

The 1920 Census for San Francisco, California, listed Kirkham Wright with the following household on January 6, 1920:

	Location				
Line number	Street, avenue, road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling Number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
	Green	2800	82	95	Kirkham Wright Millie L. Wright

Relation.	Tenure.		Personal Description			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	O	F	M	W	69	M
Wife	.	.	F	W	63	M

Citizenship			Education		
Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
				Yes	Yes
				Yes	Yes

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person		Father		Mother	
Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Mississippi		Virginia		Massachusetts	
California		England	English	England	English

Occupation

Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
Yes	Vice-President	Sea Products Co	O.A.	
Yes	none	.	.	

This record indicates that Kirkham Brantley Wright was born in about 1851 and that Melanie Jane or Millie L. (Langley) Wright was born in about 1857.

California, San Francisco Area Funeral Home Records, 1895-1985, listed the death of Kirkham Wright on August 18, 1929, in San Francisco, California:

"Funeral Record

No. of Funeral 358 Date August 20th 1929

Name of Deceased: Kirkham Wright
Charge to: Mrs. Millie L. Wright
Address: Clift Hotel
Single Married X Divorced Widow Widower

Age: 78 Years 11 Months 13 Days
Occupation: Treas. Calif. Seed Product Co.
Place of Death: Clift Hotel
Date of Death: Aug 18, 1929
Usual Residence: 2800 Green St.
Physician: M. R. Gibbon
Place of Birth: Lexington Miss.
Date of Birth: Sept. 5, 1850
Cause of Death: Angina Pectoris
Contributory: Arteriosclerosis general
Date of Cremation: Aug. 29, 1929 Room H 10:15 AM
Clergyman: Dean Wilmer Gresham
Shipped to: Serv Cy Lawn Rec. Vault Chapel 11 AM
Agreed price $ by family
Cemetery: Cypress Lawn Private

M. L. W. 8-29-20
Wright - In this city, August 18, 1929, Kirkham Wright, beloved husband of Millie Langley Wright, loving father of Jeanette Wright Torney and Marion Wright Campbell.
Funeral and internment private.

[Billing details not included]"

In his emails dated February 27, 2007, and October 20, 2011, Eric J. Torney stated that Kirkham Wright was born on September 5, 1850, in Lexington, Mississippi, died on August 18, 1929, in San Francisco, California, and was buried in Cypress Lawn Cemetery, Colma, San Mateo County, California.

In her letter dated June 2, 2007, Patricia Campbell Wilson stated that Kirkham B. Wright married Millie Langley and that they had the following children:

1) Marion Fardon (Wright) Campbell, born in 1886, and
2) Janette Langley Wright.

c. <u>1830 Benjamin Wright Of Essex County</u>

1830 Benjamin Wright of Essex County was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of

Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
. . . .

Births
. . . .
Benjamin Wright was born 12th August 1799
. . .

Deaths
Benjamin Wright son of Thomas Wright Senr and Mary his wife departed this life the 6th of September 1830 aged 31 years
. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
. . . .

Births
. . . .
Benjamin Wright 12th Aug. 1799
. . . .

Deaths
. . . .
Benjamin Wright 6th Septr 1830
. . . ."

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on March 15:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individual	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
Mar 15	Benjamin Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dolls	Cents
	.12	

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household on February 2:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No.	Dolllars Cents
Feby 2	Benjamin Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
	.12	

The 1826 to 1829 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, did not list a Benjamin Wright.

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Benjamin Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mares	Stud Horses Num-ber	Dollars Cents
	Benjamin Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
	.08	

The will of Benjamin Wright was dated on May 16, 1830, probated on November 15, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 22/163, and provided as follows:

> "It is my Wish when I die, that what Money or bonds I leave may be divided in the following manner I give to my Little sister Susan Wright five hundred dollars,

to Charles H Wright one Hundred Dollars, to Edward G Wright one hundred dollars to Richd Wright my brother one hundred dollars, to James Wright's little son Thos. A Wright I give one hundred dollars, I give to Robt Wright, little daughter fifty dollars, also to Robt. all my Household and kitchen furniture I also leave Wm Wright my Exor: and my Horse, I wish the balance of the money to be applied to the payment of my debts, and funeral expences. If there should be more money than will pay my debts, in that event I wish it to go to my Brother Wm Wright.

Benja. Wright
16th May 1830

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 15th Day of November 1830.

A Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Benjajamin Wright decd, was brought into Court and offered for proof by William Wright the only Executor therein named - Whereupon George Wright and Robert P Andrews being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were well acquainted with the hand wrighting of the Testator, and that they believe that the whole of said Writing including the signature was in the proper hand writing of the said Testator and Thereupon the same was Ordered to be recorded as the last will and Testament of said Benjamin Wright decd. Whereupon on the motion of William Wright a certificate was granted him in order to his obtaining probat of said Will in due form of law he having first taken the the oath in such case prescribed by law, and entered into and acknowledged a bond payable to the sitting Justices in a penalty and with security approved by the court and Conditioned as required by law, which said bond was Ordered to be Recorded

Examd

Teste
James R Micon Jr Clk

Know all Men by these presents, That We William Wright and George Wright are held and firmly bound unto Archibald Ritchie Henry W Lanam Warner Lewis and Richard Rowzee Gentlemen, Justices of the Court of Essex now sitting, in the just and full sum of Three Thousand Dollars to the payment whereof well and truly to be made to the said Justices, and their successors we bind ourselves and each of us, our and each of our Heirs, executors, and administrators, Jointly and Severally firmly by these presents Sealed with our seals, and dated this 15th day of Novr - anno Dom one Thousand eight hundred and Thirty and in the 55th year of our foundation

The Condition of this obligation is Such, That if the said William Wright, Executor of the last will and Testament of Benjamin Wright decd do make a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods chattels, and credits of the said

deceased, which have or shall come to the hands possession or knowledge of him the said William Wright or into the hands or possession of any other person or persons for him the said William Wright and the same so made do exhibit into the said County Court, at such time as he shall be thereto required by the said Court, and the same goods, chattels, and credits, as well and truly administer according to law and make a just and true account of all his actings and doings therein, when thereunto required by the said Court: And further as well and truly pay and deliver all the legacies contained and specified in the said will as far as the said goods, chattels and credits, will extend according to the value thereof, and as the law shall charge him then this obligation to be void, or else to remain in full force.

Signed, Sealed acknowl-	)	Wm Wright
edged and delivered in	)	Geo. Wright
the presence of	)	

Essex County Court and Ordered to be Recorded

Examd. Teste
James R Micon Jr Clk"

The 1831 and later Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, did not list a Benjamin Wright, reflecting his death in 1830.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Benjamin Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary (Pitts) Wright.

d. 1849 James Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright, And His Descendants

1849 James Wright of Essex County was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
Marriages
. . . .
James Wright and Judith E Mann were married on Thursday 31st May 1827
. . . .

Births
. . . .
James Wright born 18th Oct 1801
. . . .

Deaths.
. . . .
Died, on the 19th day of April, at his residence in Essex County, Col. James Wright, in the 48th year of his age, of a lingering disease . . . .
. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
. . . .
Births
. . . .
James Wright 18th Octo. 1801
. . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of entries copied from a Family Bible, possibly by Emily Matilda Wright Povell, and which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Roy Povall of Jackson, Mississippi, and which listed the following information for the family of Thomas Wright:

"Copied from my Family Bible in trust to be transcribed in another Bible shd I deem it necessary upon getting to Va
. . . .

Deaths
. . . .
Colo. James Wright brother same 20th April 1849
. . . ."

The 1822 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on May 3:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mares Colts Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
May 3	James Wright		1		

Two wheeled riding Carriages and harness		Phaetons and Stage Waggons and harness		Carryall, Jersey waggons and harness
Not exceeding in value $100	Above the value of $100	Not exceeding in value $200	Above the value of $200	

Riding Carriages and harness				
Not exceeding value $200	Above the value of $200	Not exceeding $300 value	Above the value of $300	Amount of Tax
				.13½

The 1823 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on March 17:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons names Chargeable with Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Horses Mares Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolls Cents
Mar 17	James Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dolls	Amount of Tax Cents
	.12	

The 1824 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on March 15:

Date of Receiving Lists from Individual	Persons names chargeable with Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dolllars Cents
Mar 15	James Wright	1			

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dolls	Cents
	.12	

On August 19, 1824, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 41/258 James Wright purchased from John Rogers his interest in the land and personal property of Gabriel Gordon:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 19th day of August 1824 between John Rogers of the first part, and James Wright of the second part, both of the County of Essex and State of Virginia, Witnesseth that the said John Rogers for and in consideration of the sum of seventeen Dollars lawful money of Virginia to him in hand paid by the said James Wright at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell to the said James Wright & to his heirs and assigns forever, all the right, title, & interest, which the said Rogers has in and to all the interest in the real and personal estate of Gabriel Gordon, which Gregory Dennett acquired in right of marriage, and which was sold by the Sheriff of Essex County under the said Dennetts Schedule for the benefit of said Rogers, at which sale the said Rogers became the purchaser as will appear by a Deed bearing date the 1st day of August 1824 from the said Sheriff to the said Rogers for the same, and duly recorded in Essex County Court. To have and to hold the said above mentioned granted and sold premises, or intended to be hereby granted and sold, unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever, against the claim of the said Rogers his heirs &c forever, to the only proper use & behoof of the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever - but it is understood between the parties the said Rogers does not warrant the title in any manner whatever - In Witness whereof the said Rogers has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal the day and year first above written acknowledged before us
>
> John Rogers
>
> At a Court of Quarterly Session continued and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on thursday the 19th day of August 1824
>
> This Deed from John Rogers to James Wright was this day acknowledged by said Rogers to be his proper act and Deed, and ordered to be recorded
>
> Teste
> William B Matthews Clk"

The 1825 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses No.	Dolllars Cents
	James Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
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The 1826 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on March 20:

Mar 20	James Wright		1		

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The 1827 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from Individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Horses Mares Asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Num-ber	Dolllars Cents
	James Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and harness of Every Description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.12

The 1827 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee simple for Life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land
James Wright	Essex	In fee	50	Joseph Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including Buildlings	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of Land & Buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents per per hundred dollar value	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 do [Miles] do [NW]	3.00		150.00	.12	By deed from Gabriel Alexander

This record reflects the acquisition by James Wright of 50 acres of land in King & Queen County. The listing of his presence in Essex County identifies this James Wright as 1849 James Wright of Essex County.

The marriage record of James Wright and Judith A. Mann was dated on May 21, 1827, at Essex County, Virginia:

> "Know All Men By These Presents, That We James Wright and Richmond L Covington are held and firmly bound unto his excellency William B. Giles Governor or Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the just and full sum of one hundred and fifty dollars; to which payment well and truly to be made to the said Governor and his successors, for the use of the said Commonwealth, we bind ourselves our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, Sealed with our seals and dated this 21st day of May 1827.
>
> The Condition of the above obligation is such, That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound James Wright (Bachelor) & Miss Judith A Mann orphan of Thomas Mann then the above obligation to be void; else to remain in full force and virtue,
>
> Executed in pesence of James Wright
> Richard L Covington

____ Sc.

____ this day appeared before me ____ Clerk of said ____ and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty Good, that the within named ____ is above the age of twenty-one years, and resident of said ____ Given under my hand this _ day of ____ 182_"

On August 23, 1827, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 42/286 James Wright purchased from Joseph and Peggy Minter a parcel of land allotted to them from the estate of Gabriel Gordon:

"This Indenture made this 23rd day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven Between Joseph Minter and Peggy his wife of the parish of Southfarnham and County of Essex of the first part and James Wright of the said parish and County of the other part, Witnesseth that the said Joseph Minter and Peggy his wife in consideration of the sum of thirty dollars to them in hand paid by the said James Wright at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted and sold and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said James Wright his heirs or assigns all ther Interest right title &c in and to a certain tract or parcel of land which was allotted to the said Joseph Minter in right of his wife in the division of the lands of her father Gabriel Gorden decd together with all the singular the houses, barnes, buildings, stables, yards gardens orchards woods underwoods ways waters, water courses hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the said tract of land belonging or appertaining. To have and to hold the said tract of land with the tenements hereditiments and all and singular other the premises herein before mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever - to and for the only proper use and behoof of him the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever and the Joseph Minter and Peggy his wife for themselves their heirs the said tract of land with all and singular the premises and appurtenances unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim of them the said Joseph Minter and Peggy his wife or other of them or their heirs and of all and every person or persons whomsoever shall will and do warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first within written.

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Minter in right of his wife inter-	)	Joseph	X Minter
lined before signed the word	)		mark
"decd" interlined before signed	)		her
Signed Sealed and delivered	)	Peggy	X Minter
in presence of	)		mark

Essex County to wit

We James Semple and Lewis Booker Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Joseph Minter a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 23rd day of August 1827 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our sd County and acknowledge the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under my hand and seal this 24th day of August 1827

James Semple
Lewis Booker

Essex County to wit

We James Semple & Lewis Booker Jusbices of the peace in the county aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Peggy Minter the wife of Joseph Minter parties to a certain deed bearing date in the on 23rd day of August 1827 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our sd County and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Peggy Minter acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealing and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract from it. Given under our hands and seals this 24th day of August 1827

James Semple
Lewis Booker

Essex County Court Office 11th September 1827

This Deed was this day produced in the said Office and together . . . .

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The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	James Wright	7	2		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 gig $30 value	4.75
1 Ditto $60 value	

This record reflects a major increase in the assets of James Wright and probably reflects a gift from his father upon his marriage to establish his household.

The 1828 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple For Life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land
James Wright	Essex	In fee	50	Joseph Gatewood

Distance and bearing from the Courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols Cts	Sum added to the Land on account of buildings Dols Cents	Total value of the land & Buildings Dols Cents	Amount of tax at the rate of 8 cents for $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year
25 miles NW	3.00		150.00	.12	

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts Mules &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	James Wright	7	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $20 value	4.20
1 Ditto $60 value	

On November 17, 1829, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 43/96 James Wright purchased from Thomas A. Banks his interest in four slaves:

"Know all men by these presents that I Thomas A. Banks of the County of Essex and State of Virginia for and in consideration of the sum of One Hundred and twenty dollars to me in hand paid by James Wright of the County of Essex and state aforesaid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, have bargained, sold granted and confirmed and by these presents do bargain, sell, grant and confirm, unto the said James Wright all my right, title and Interest which he the said Banks has or hereafter may have in the following slaves, Sancho, a man, Rose and Milly women; and Major a Boy which were received by Lucy Banks, the mother of the said Thos. A Banks, from the Estate of Thomas Allen Senr, dec, with the future increase of the said slaves. And I the said Banks, for myself, my heirs Exors admrs the said negroes with the future increase, to the said James Wright his heirs Execrs admrs or assigns against me, the said Banks my exors admors and assigns and against all and every Other person or persons whatsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 17th day of November 1829.

Witness Thomas A. Banks
A. L. Barnes

The word persons in the fourth line from the bottom interlined before Signed

Thomas A. Banks

At a Court of Quarterly Session Continued and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock in the 18th Day of November 1829. This Bill of sale was acknowledged by Thomas A. Banks to be his proper act and Deed and Ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Wm B Matthews Clk

1830 Oct. 16th Recd the original Bill of sale

James Wright

1830 October 20th I do hereby assign and transfer to Richard Croxton his heirs and assigns all my right title interest property claim or demand in and to the

property herein named and conveyed to me by the within bill of sale Given under my Hand and Seal the date first written.

Teste James Wright
James Rollicon Jr

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 20th Day of December 1830 The assignment and transfer hereon endorsed from James Wright to Richard Croxton was proved by the oath of James R Micon jr the witness thereto subscribed and was ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr. Clk"

On February 20, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 43/202 James Wright purchased from Vincent and Martha Ramsey 15 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 20th day of Feby, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty between Vincent Ramsey and Martha his wife of the parish of Southfarnham and County of Essex of the one part and James Wright of the said County of the other part, Witnesseth that the said Vincent Ramsey and Martha his wife for and in consideration of the sum of forty five dollars to them in hand paid by the said James Wright the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold, aliened, released, and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell, alien release, and confirm unto the said James Wright One tract or parcel of land situated and lying in the County of Essex containing fifteen acres more or less it being the same land the said Vincent Ramsey purchased of Elizabeth Mann decd. and bounded by the land of Ann Mann John Trible and others. To have and to hold to the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever the said tract or parcel of land together with all and singular its wood, timbers, trees, waters, water courses, swamps, improvements, profits, remainder and remainders, hereditaments appendages and appertenances, whatever thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use and behoof of the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever and the Vincent Ramsey and Martha his wife for themselves their heirs Exors admors and assigns do by these presents grant covenant agree to and with sd. James Wright his heirs and assigns that at the time of sealing and delivering of these presents they the said Vincent Ramsey and Martha his wife are sured of a good and perfict right in the said tract of land and premises and every part and parcel thereof and that they have full and legal right power and title to convey the same to the said James Wright his heirs and assigns in manner herein or hereby intended to be conveyed and that the said James Wright his heirs and assigns shall and may now and at all times hereafter possess occupy enjoy freely and clearly of and discharged from the lawful claim

and demand or interruption of all and every person or persons whomesoever and the said Vincent Ramsey and Martha his wife for themselves their heirs Exors. admors or assigns do by these presents the said tract or parcel of land and premises and every part and parcel thereof unto the sd. James Wright his heirs and assigns forever and to his only proper use and behoof do by these presents warrant and will forever defend. In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

Vincent Ramsey
Martha Ramsey

Essex County to wit

We James Semple & Peter J. Derieux Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Martha Ramsey wife of Vincent Ramsey parties to a certain deed, bearing date on the 20th day of Feby. 1830 and hereto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Martha Ramsey acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seal this 20th day of February 1830

James Semple
P. J. Dearieux

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock in the 21st Day of June 1830. This Deed was this day produced in Court and and acknowledged by Vincent Ramsey and together with the Justices certificate annexed Ordered to be Recorded

Examd. Teste
Wm. B Matthews Clk"

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mares	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	James Wright	6	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
2 Gigs @ $50 each	3.34

The 1829 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, did not list James Wright, indicating that he had disposed of his 50 acres of land in King & Queen County.

The 1830 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
James Wright	1	30-40	1	50-60
	1	20-30	1	20-30
	1	15-20		
	1	0-5		

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
1	55-100	2	36-55				
3	10-24	3	24-36				
1	0-10	3	10-24				

	White Persons included in the foregoing				
Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
19					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing

Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

The will of Benjamin Wright dated on May 16, 1830, probated on November 15, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 22/163, listed James Wright's son Thomas A. Wright as a beneficiary:

> "It is my Wish when I die, that what Money or bonds I leave may be divided in the following manner I give to my Little sister Susan Wright five hundred dollars, to Charles H Wright one Hundred Dollars, to Edward G Wright one hundred dollars to Richd Wright my brother one hundred dollars, to James Wright's little son Thos. A Wright I give one hundred dollars, ..."

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses Mares, asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	James Wright	10	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	3.18

On May 24, 1831, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 43/406 James Wright purchased from William Drake 25 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 24th day of May in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight hundred and thirty one between Wm Drake of the Parish of southfarnham and County of Essex of the one part and James Wright of the same parish and county of the other part: Witnesseth, that the said Wm Drake for and in consideration of the sum of fifty Six Dollars current money of Virginia to him in hand well and truly paid by the said James Wright at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted bargained and sold aliened released and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell alien release and confirm to the said James Wright a piece or parcel of Land situated and being in the parish & County aforesaid, it being the said piece or parcel of Land conveyed to the said William Drake by Ewen Bizendine, Elizabeth Bizendine his wife, and others which will more fully appear by reference to the said Deed of Conveyance recorded in the Clerks Office of said County and bounded as therein expressed containing twenty five acres more or less. To have and to hold to the said James Wright, his heirs and assigns forever the said piece or parcel of Land together with all

and singular its woods, timbers trees waters watercourses, ways, hereditaments appendages and appurtenances whatever thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use and behoof of the said James Wright, his heirs and assigns foreverand the Said William Drake for himself his heirs executors admors and assigns doth by these presents grant covenant and agree to and with the said James Wright his heirs and assigns, that at the time of the sealing and delivery of these presents he the said William Drake is seized of a good Sure and perfect right in the said piece or parcel of Land and premises, and that he has full and legal power to convey the same to the said James Wright his heirs & assigns in manner hereby intended to be conveyed and that he the said Wright, his heirs & assigns shall and may now and at all times hereafter possess occupy and enjoy the same freely and clearly of and discharged from the lawful claim and demand of all and every person or persons whomsoever; and the said Wm Drake for himself his heirs exors admors and assigns do by these presents the said piece or parcel of Land unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns and to his and their only proper use and behoof do warrant and will forever defend - In Testimony whereof the said William Drake hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal the day and year first above written

Sealed & delivered in
presence of
Jno Trible
Peter Trible
John S Trible

Wm his X mark Drake

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 20th day of June 1831 This Deed was this day acknowledged by William Drake to be his proper act and deed and ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household on February 2:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
Feby 2	James Wright	8	4		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50 Value	2.74

The 1832 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
James Wright	Essex	fee	25	Ro A Mitchell

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
9 South	2		50.00	.04	Conveyed to you by Wm Drake

This record reflects the purchase in 1831 of 25 acres of land by Essex County Deed 43/406.

On June 14, 1832, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 43/583 James Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Gregrory Davis to secure a debt due to James Croxton, Jr.

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	James Wright	10	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	3.48

The 1833 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
James Wright	Essex	fee	92	Rd H Mitchell Jno Tribble Jr &c

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents
9 South	2.00		184.00	.16

Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year

45 acres added & taken from Est Chy; Brizendine and
22 do purchased of Ewen Brizendine

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	James Wright	10	8		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $25	3.48

The 1834 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
James Wright	Essex	fee	92	John Trible

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls	Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls	Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls	Cents
9 South	2.00				184.00	

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls	Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
	.16	

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of Horses Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	James Wright	10	4		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
1 Gig $50	3.24	

The 1835 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
James Wright	Essex	fee	92	John Trible

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 south	2.00		184.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of Eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.16	

On November 13, 1835, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/67 James Wright purchased from Alexander and July Ann Rae their interest in 64½ acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 13" day of November in the year 1835 between Alexander Rae and July Ann his wife of the City of Richmond & State of Virginia of the one part and James Wright of the County of Essex and State aforesaid of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Alexander Rae and July Ann his wife in consideration of the sum of Twenty two and a half dollars of lawful money of this Commonwealth to them in hand paid by the said James Wright at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) have bargained and sold and by these presents do and each of them doth bargain and sell unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns all the right title and interest which they may have or to which the said July Ann who before her intermarriage with the said Alexander Rae was July Ann Johnson may be entitled as one of the heirs of her deceased father James V. Johnson, late of the County of Essex, in and to a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Essex, containing by estimation sixty four and a half acres and bounded by the lands of Andrew Hundley and others together with all the appurtenances to the said land belonging or appertaining and whereas thirty five acres of the above mentioned sixty four and a half acres of land have been extended for the purpose of paying a debt due from the said James M Johnson to Richard Durrett; now all right which the said Alexander Rae and July Ann his wife have to redeem the the said Thirty five acres of land is hereby transferred to the said James Wright and his heirs and assigns. To have and to hold the said land together with the appurtenances and all and singular other the premises

herein before mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever (to and for the only proper use and behoof of him the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Alexander Rae and July Ann his wife for themselves their heirs executors and administrators and for every of them do covenant and grant to and with the said James Wright his heirs and assigns that they will from time to time and at all times hereafter upon every reasonable request, make, do and execute or cause to be made done and executed all and every such other lawful and reasonable acts consequences and assurances in the law, for the further, better, more perfect and absolute granting conveying and assuring of the said land with its appurtenances unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever as by the said James Wright his heirs and assigns shall be reasonably required. And the said Alexander Rae and July Ann his wife for themselves and their heirs the said land with all and singular the premises and appurtenances before mentioned unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of them the said Alexander Rae and July Ann his wife or either of them their or either of their heirs and of all and every person or persons whatsoever shall will and do warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said Alexander Rae and July Ann his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Alexander his X mark Rae

Julian Ann Rae

City of Richmond Sc:

We Garland Hanes and Thomas Mieure Justices of the peace in the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that July Ann Rae wife of Alexander Rae parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 13" day of November and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our City aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said July Ann Rae acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly had signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 13" day of November 1835

Garland Hanes
Thos. Mieure

City of Richmond Sc:

We Garland Hanes and Thomas Mieure Justices of the peace in the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Alexander Rae a party to

a certain deed bearing date on the 13" day of November and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our City aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this __ day of ____

Garland Hanes
Thomas Mieure

Essex County Court Clerks Office Jany 5" 1836.

This deed was produced in the Office aforesaid and with the Justices certificates annexed admitted to record.

Teste
James Raye Micon Jr Clk
1838 February 28th Recd the original Deed recorded opposite

Jas Wright"

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

	James Wright	10	4		

1 Gig $50	3.24

The 1836 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
James Wright	Essex	fee	92	John Trible

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 south	2.00		184.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.16	

On March 17, 1836, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/320 James Wright purchased from Thomas Brizendine his interest in the estate of his father Ewin Brizendine:

> "Recd this 17 day March 1836 from Jas Wright the sum of seven dollars which is full of all my right title and interest in the real Est. of my Father Ewin Brizendine decd The right and title of which I hereby bind myself my heirs &c forever to defend unto the said Jas Wright his heirs heirs &c against the claim or claims of all and every person or persons whatever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year above written
>
> Thomas Brizendine
>
> Essex County Court Clerks office May 13th 1837
>
> This Deed was this day acknowledged in the office aforesaid by Thomas Brizendine to be his act and deed and admitted to record
>
> Teste
> James Ray Micon Jr Clk"

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	James Wright	9	5		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $40	3.05

The 1837 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
James Wright	Essex	fee	92	John Trible

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 south	2.00		184.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
.16	

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	James Wright	9	5		

Riding _____ _____

1 Gig $50

The 1838 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
James Wright	Essex	fee	92	John Trible

Distance and bearing from the court House	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dollars Cents				
9 South	2.00		184.00	.19	

On May 25, 1838, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 46/32 James Wright purchased from Eleanor Johnson 16 acres of land:

"This Indenture made the 25th Day of May in the year 1838 between Eleanor Johnson of the County of Loudon and State of Virginia by Robert Wooddy her true and lawful attorney by virtue of a power of attorney bearing date on the 1st Day of March 1837 and hereunto annexed, of the first part, and James Wright of the County of Essex and State aforesaid of the second part. Witnesseth: That the said Eleanor Johnson by her said Attorney in Consideration of the sum of Forty Dollars of lawful Money of this Commonwealth to him the said Robert Wooddy (attorney as aforesaid) in hand paid by the said James Wright at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) Have bargained and sold, and by these presents doth bargain and sell unto the said James Wright his heirs and assign, a Certain tract or parcel of Land lying and being in the County of Essex and State of Virginia Containing 16 Acres, be the same more or less and adjoining the lands of ____ and others together with all and singular the appurtenances whatsoever to the said Land belonging or appertaining, or with the same used or enjoyed or accepted, reputed, taken or known as a part or parcel thereof, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders yearly and other rents, issues and profits thereof, and of every part and parcel thereof. To Have and to Hold the said tract or parcel of Land, with the Tenements hereditaments and all and singular other the premises herein before mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold, and Every part and parcel thereof, with every of their rights members and appurtenances unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Eleanor Johnson (by her said attorney) for her self, and her heirs, the said tract or parcel of Land, (and all right, title and interest in and to the same,) with all and singular the premises and appurtenances before mentioned unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns, free from the claim or claims of me the said Eleanor Johnson or my heirs, and of all and every person or persons whatsoever, shall will and do warrant and for ever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said Eleanor Johnson (by Robert Wooddy my

attorney) hath hereunto set my hand, and seal the day and year first above written

R. Wooddy

Va Richmond County to wit

We Mace Clements and Francis W Pendleton Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Eleanor Johnson of the County of London Va by Robert Wooddy her true and lawful attorney, by virtue of a power of Attorney, bearing date on the 1st Day of March 1837 party to a Certain Deed, bearing date on the 25th May 1838 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged, the same to be her act and deed and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex, in order that the said Deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 26th Day of May 1838

Mace Clements JP
Francis W Pendleton JP

Know all men by these presents, that I Eleanor Johnson formerly of Essex now of the County of Loudoun & State of Virginia daughter of James Johnson, now decd formerly of the County of Essex aforesaid Have made ordained, Constituted and appointed, and by these presents, do make, ordain, constitute and appoint Robert Wooddy of the County of Richmond, and State aforesaid, my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name but to my use, to sell and Convey all my right title interest claim and demand, in and to any Land, or Lands, lying and being in the said County of Essex, to which I may be or am in any mode by descent, devise or purchase entitled, at his discretion, on such terms, price & payments as he may approve to any person or persons, to whom I hereby authorize & empower him to make & execute any and all needful deeds or Conveyances in & for such Estate as I have with general or special warranty at his discretion & the money or moneys, therefrom Coming to receive & to receipt for & to give any neccessary acquittances therefor and further to do and execute all and every other lawful act or acts needful for selling & conveying said Land, or Lands, and all or any right I may have therein & for receiving the price thereof or any part thereof but to my use as aforesaid, as fully & effectually to all intents and purposes as if I were personally present hereby ratifying and Confirming, whatsoever my said Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises. In

Witness whwereof I have hereto set my hand & seal this 1 day of March in the year 1837

her
Eleanor X Johnson
mark

Loudoun County to wit

We Francis W Luckett and Henry T Harrison justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Eleanor Johnson a party to a Certain deed or power of attorney, bearing date on the 1 Day of March in the year 1837 and hereto annexed personally appeared, before us in our County aforesaid, and acknowledged, the same to be her act and deed, and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed or power of attorney may be recorded

Given under our hands & seals this 1st Day of March 1837

Francis W Luckett
Henry T. Harrison

Essex County Court Clerk's Office June 8th 1838

This Deed was this day produced, in the office aforesaid, and with the Justices Certificate and power of attorney thereto subjoined, admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

1846 Decr 5th The Original Deed and power of attorney thereto subjoined recorded opposite this day recorded by me

James Wright"

In October 1838 at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 46/350 James Wright purchased from William H. and Edmonia Webb their interest in the estate of Jackson Dunn:

"This Indenture made and entered into this __ day of October in the year 1838 between William H Webb Jr and Edmonia his wife of the first and James Wright of the second part all of the County of Essex State of Virginia. Witnesseth that the said William H Webb Jr and Edmonia his Wife for and in consideration of the Sum of Twenty five Dollars good lawfull money of this Commonwealth to them in hand well and truly paid by the said James Wright at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged Have

bargained and sold, and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said James Wright his heirs and assigns all their right, title, interest and demand which they may have in the estate of Jackson Dunn Decd both real and personal which they may be entitled to as one of the heirs and devizees of the est of the said Jackson Dunn Decd. To have and to hold to the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever the said interest both real and personal together with all and singular its woods, timbers improvements hereditaments appendages and appertinces whatever thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use and behoof of the said James Wright his heirs and assigns forever and the said William H Webb Jr and Edmonia his Wife for themselves their heirs Exors and admors do by these presents covenant and agree to and with the said James Wright his heirs and assigns that at the time of sealing and delivery of these presents they the said William H Webb Jr and Edmonia his Wife are seized of a good and perfect right in the said Est of the said Jackson Dunn Decd and that they have legal power to convey the same to the said James Wright his heirs and assigns in manner herein or hereby intended to be conveyed and the said James Wright his heirs and assigns shall and may now and at all times hereafter possess occupy and enjoy the same freely and clearly of and discharged from the lawful claim of all and every person or persons whomsoever. In Testimony whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their Seals the day and year first herein written

William H.	his X mark	Webb Jr
Edmonia	her X mark	Webb

Essex County to wit

We Larkin Hundley and Geo T F Lorimer Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Edmonia Webb wife of William H Webb Jr parties to a Certain Deed bearing date on the day of October 1838 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and haveing the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Edmonia Webb acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and Seals this 23rd day of October 1838

Larkin Hundley
Geo: T. F. Larimer

Essex County to wit

We Larkin Hundley and Geo: T. F Lorimer Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that William H Webb Jr a party to a Certain Deed and bearing date on the day of October 1838 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledge the Same to be his act and deed and desired us to Certify the Said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and Seals this 23rd day of October 1838

Larkin O Hundley
Geo T. F. Lorimer

Essex County Court Clerks September 16th 1839

This Deed was this day produced in the office aforesaid and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste
James M Matthews DC
for James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
	James Wright	8	4		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	3.22

The 1839 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
James Wright	Essex	fee	108	John Trible
Same			438	James Croxton
Same			118	Same

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls cents				
9 South	2.00		216.00	.22	572 acres added, 16 do conveyed from Eleanor Johnson 438 ditto taken from the estate of Nancy Mann decd and 118 do from Estate of Elizabeth, both parcels having decended to your wife after the death of Nancy Mann
8 do	3.00		1314.00	1.32	
do	4.25	400	500.50	.51	

This record reflects the purchase in 1838 of 16 acres of land by Essex County Deed 46/32 and the addition of 556 acres inherited by James Wright's wife Judith Edmondson (Mann) Wright from the estate of Nancy Mann and Elizabeth Mann.

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules and Colts	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
James Wright	8	6		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $100	4.85

The 1840 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description & Situation of the Land
James Wright	Essex	fee	50	Richard D Dunn
Same			108	John Trible
Same			438	James Croxton
Same			118	Same

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls cts	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax whole tract of on the Land at the legal rate
9 South	2.50		125.00	.13
do	3.00		324.00	.33
8 do	3.00		14.00	1.32
do	4.50	400	531.00	.54

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

50 Acres added purchased from Wm B Webb jr

This record reflects the purchase in 1838 of 50 acres of land by Essex County Deed 46/350.

The 1840 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
James Wright	1	30-40	1	30-40
	1	20-30	2	0-5
	1	15-20		
	1	10-15		
	1	5-10		
	1	0-5		

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				2	24-36	3	36-55
						4	24-36
						2	10-24
						1	0-10

Number of Persons in each Family Employed in

Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
24		8				

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and In-sane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued] Insane and Idiots		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.

Univer-sities or College	Number of Stu-dents	Acade-mies & Grammar Schools	No. of Schol-ars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Schol-ars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

On January 30, 1841, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/94 James Wright and Judith E. Wright sold to Richard D. Dunn two parcels of 50 acres of land and 16 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 30th day of January in year one thousand eight hundred and forty one between James Wright and Judith E his wife of the first and Richard D Dunn of the other part all of the County of Essex and Virginia. Witnesseth that the James Wright and Judith E his wife for and in consideration of the sum of One Hundred and seventy eight Dollars good and lawful money of Virginia to them in hand well and truly paid by the said Richd D Dunn the recept whereof is hereby acknowledged at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, Have bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said Richd D Dunn his heirs and assigns forever two pieces or parcels of land situated lying and being in the County the first piece supposed to contain fifty Acres and bounded by the lands of William H Webb Elijah Clark alias Williamson it being the same land that was conveyed to the said James Wright by William H Webb Jr and wife & of record in the County Court of Essex the other piece or parcel of land contain Sixteen Acres and bounded by the lands of Elijah Clarke alias Williamson above referred to and Spencer Clarke it being a part of the land that was conveyed to the said James Wright by Thos Gresham and William A Wright Commissioners appointed by the County Court in a suit therein depending on the Chancery side in the name of Henry H Bingham admr de bonis non of Thos Dennett decd plaintiff and Austin Brockenhough late Sheriff of Essex County and Committee admor of the estate of Chaney Brizendine decd. To have and to hold to the said Richard D Dunn his heirs and assigns forever the said pieces or parcels of land together with all and singular it woods timbers trees waters water Courses meadows improvements hereditaments appendages and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use and behoof of the said Richard D Dunn his heirs and assigns forever, and the said James Wright and Judith E his wife for themselves their heirs Exors and admors do by these presents covenant grant and agree to and with the said Richard D Dunn his heirs and assigns that at the time of sealing and delivery of these presents, they the said James Wright and Judith E his wife are seized of a good and lawful right in the said pieces or parcels of land and premises and that they have full and legal right to convey the same to the sd Richd D Dunn in manner hereof or hereby intended to be conveyed and that the said Richard D Dunn may now and at all times possess occupy and enjoy the land freely and clearly of and discharged from the lawful claim or claims of all and every person or persons whomsoever. In Testamony

whereof the parties to these presents have hereunder subscribed their names and affixed their Seals the day and year first above written

The words "Seventy eight" on 1st page 9th line from top & "being" on 2nd page and 2nd line from top interlined before signed	)))))	Jas Wright Judith E Wright
Chas H Johnston		

Essex County to wit: We George W Shelton and Leonard Henley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Judith E Wright the wife of James Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 30th day of Jany 1841 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Judith E Wright acknowledged the same to be her Act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it Given under our hands and Seals this 30th day of January 1841

Geo. W Shelton
Leonard Henley

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse for Tappahannock on the 15th Day of February 1841

This Deed was acknowledged in Court by James Wright to be his Act & deed and with the Justices Certificate annexed Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On January 30, 1841, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/137 James Wright and Judith E. Wright sold to James Croxton 90 acres of land:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 30 day of January in the year 1841 between James Wright and Judith E his wife of the first part and James Croxton of the other part all of the County of Essex and State of Virginia; Witnesseth that the said James Wright and Judith E his wife for and in consideration of the Sum of Three hundred and sixty dollars and 90 Cents good and lawfull money of Virginia to them in hand well & truly paid by the said James Croxton the receipt is hereby acknowledged at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents have bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns forever a certain piece or parcel of land supposed to contain Ninety Acres more or less and bounded by the lands of

John Crow and the land belonging to the heirs of Nathaniel Crow decd it being the same land that was conveyed to the said Wright by James Croxton and John P Armstrong Commissioners appointed under a decree of the County Court of Essex pronounced on the 19th day of March 1839 in the name of Croxton & vs Crows heirs To have and to hold unto the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns forever the said piece or parcel of land together with all and singular its wood, timbers trees waters water Courses swamps improvements hereditaments appendages and appurtenances thereunto belong or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use and behoof of the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns forever and the said James Wright and Judith E his wife for themselves their heirs Exors and admors do by these presents covenant and agree to and with the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns that at the time of sealing and delivery of these presents they the said James Wright and Judith E his wife are seized of a good and lawfull right and title in the said piece or parcel of land and premises and that they have full and legal right to convey the same to the said James Croxton in manner herein or hereby intended to be conveyed. In Testimony whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their Seals the day and year first above written

Jas. Wright
Judith E Wright

Essex County to wit We George W Shelton and Leonard Henley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Judith E Wright the wife of James Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 30th day of January 1841 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her Husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Judith E Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it

Given under our hands and Seals this 30th day of January 1841

Geo: W Shelton J.P.
Leonard Henley JP.

Essex County Court Clerks Office May 8th 1841

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by James Wright to be his proper act and deed and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On February 2, 1841, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/109 James Wright and James Croxton purchased from John and Elizabeth E. Ursery 2 acres of land:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 2nd Day of February 1841 between John Ursery & Elizabeth E his Wife of the first part, and James Croxton and James Wright of the second part all of the County of Essex and State of Virginia - Witnesseth that the said John Ursery and & Elizbth. E his Wife for and in Consideration of the sum of Fifteen Dollars good and lawful money of Virginia to them in hand paid by the said James Croxton and James Wright at or before the ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said James Croxton and James Wright their heirs and assigns forever a Certain piece or parcel of land, situated and being in the County of Essex and bounded as follows beginning at a Gum in the sd Croxton & Wright line from thence to a Stake in the Corner of a fence, from thence up the side of the road to a small pine from thence to another small pine from thence to a persimmon tree, and from thence to an old stump, from thence up the north side of the road on the north side of the sd Croxton & Wright mill pond untill it intersects with with Thos Foreanes or James V Johnson Est: from thence to the Mill pond from thence down the side mill pond to the old stump mentioned above and from thence to the begining supposed to Contain two Acres more or less - To have and to hold to the said James Croxton and James Wright their heirs and assigns forever the said piece or parcel of land together with all and singular its woods, timbers, trees, waters, water Courses, swamps, meadows, improvements hereditaments, appendages and appurtenances whatever thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use and behoof of them the said James Croxton and James Wright their heirs and assigns forever, and the said John Ursery and & Elizabeth E his Wife for themselves their heirs Exors and admors do by these presents grant bargain, covenant to and with the James Croxton and James Wright their heirs and assigns that at the time of sealing of these presents, they the said John Ursery and his Wife are seized of a good and perfect right in the said piece or parcel of land and premises, and that they have full and legal right to Convey the same to the Croxton and Wright their heirs & assigns in manner herein or hereby intended to be Conveyed and that they the said Croxton and Wright may now and at all times hereafter possess occupy and enjoy the same freely and Clearly of, and discharged from the lawful claim and demand of all and every person or persons whatsoever. In Testimony the parties to these presents have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals the day and year first above written

Signed, Sealed and Delivered	)	John Ursery
In the presence of	)	Elizbth E. Ursery
The Word "north" between 19	)	
& 20 lines interlined before	)	
signed	)	

Essex County to wit

We George W Shelton & ____ Justices of the in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Elizabeth E Ursery the Wife of John Ursery parties to a Certain Deed bearing date on the 2nd day of February 1841 and hereunto annexed, personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the Deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Elizabeth E Ursery acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed, sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 2nd day Febry 1841

Geo: W Shelton
William Eubank

Essex County to wit

We George W Shelton & William Eubank Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that John Ursery a party to a Certain Deed bearing date on 2nd day Febry 1841 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded

Given under our hands and Seals this 2nd day Febry 1841

Geo: W. Shelton
William Eubank

At a Court of Quarterly session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 15th Day of March 1841

This Deed was this day produced in Court and with the Justices Certificates annexed Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

1856 March 12th Received the original deed recorded opposite hereto

Leonard Henley"

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	James Wright	1		8

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Carriages, whether four Wheel or two wheel riding Carriages, phaetons, Stage wagons, Carryalls and Jersey wagons, and all Others with the value thereof including Harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
6	1 Coachee $100	5.95

The 1841 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
James Wright	Essex	fee	50	Richard D Dunn
Same			108	John Trible
Same			438	James Croxton
Same			118	Same

Distance and bearing from the Court house		Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax on the Land at the legal rate
9 South	2.50		125.00	.16
do	3.00		324.00	.41
8 do	3.00		1314.00	1.65
do	4.50	400	531.00	.67

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	James Wright	1		7

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Forte Pianoes Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
5	1					

Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $100	5.67½

The 1842 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
James Wright	Essex	fee	92	Trible & Dunn
Same			438	James Croxton
Same			118	Same

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of __ Land per Acre Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land ___count	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate _
9 South	2.50		276.00	.35
8 do	3.00		1314.00	1.65
do	4.50	400	531.00	.67

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

66 acres deducted Conveyed to Richard D Dunn and taken from you

This record reflects the sale in 1841 of 66 acres of land by Essex County Deed 47/94.

On February 8, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/518 James Wright and Judith E. Wright and James and Elizabeth A. Durham and Lucy C. Banks sold to Margaret Skelton 126 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 8th day of February 1843 between James Wright and Judith E. his wife and James Durham and Elizabeth A. his wife and Lucy C Banks of the 1st part and Margarett Skelton of the 2nd part all of the County of Essex and state of Virginia, Witnesseth that the said James Wright and Judith E. his wife and the said James Durham and Elizabeth his wife and the said Lucy Banks for and in Consideration of the Sum of three hundred Dollars good and lawful money of Virginia to them in hand well and truly paid by the said Margarett Skelton the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents do bargain and sel unto the said Margarett Skelton her heirs and assigns forever all their right title and interest in a Certain piece or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Essex which was allotted to them by the Commissioners acting under a decree of Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for the said County of Essex in the name of Owen against Allen which said tract of Land is supposed to Contain one hundred and twenty six acres which will more fully appear by reference to the Plat of the said land drawn by Washington H Purkins. To have and to hold unto the Said Margarett Skelton her heirs and assigns forever all their right title Claim and interest in the land above mentioned together with all and Singular its woods timbers improvements hereditaments appendages and appertenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To the only proper use and behoof of her the said Margarett Skelton her heirs and assigns forever and the said James Wright and Judith E. his his wife and the said James Durham and Elizabeth his Wife and the said Lucy C. Banks for them selves their heirs Exors and admors do by these presents Covenant and agree to and with the said Margarett Skelton her heirs an assigns that at the time of Selling an delivery of these presents they are signed of a good and lawful right an title in the aforesaid land and premises and that they have full and lawful right to Convey the Same to the said Margarett Skelton her heirs and assigns in manner herein or hereby intended to be Conveyed and that the said Margarett Skelton may now and at all times hereafter possess ocupy and enjoy the same freely of and discharged from the lawful claim or claims of all and every person or persons whatever. In testimony

whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their Seals the day and year first above mentioned

Witness	Jas. Wright
Richd Croxton as to	Judith E Wright
Miss Lucy C Banks	James Durham
Leonard Henley as to	Elizabeth A. Durha
Lucy C Banks	Lucy C Banks
Henry H Bougham as	
Lucy C Banks	

Essex County to Wit We Peter I. Derieux and Leonard Henley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Judith E. Wright the Wife of James Wright parties to a Certain deed bearing date on 8th day of February 1843 and hereunto anexed personally appeard before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fuly explained to her she the said Judith E. Wright acknoledged that she had willingly Signed Sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands seals this 18th day of February 1843

P. I. Derieux
Leonard Henley

Essex County to Wit we Richard Croxton and Leonard Henley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Elizabeth A Durham wife of James Durham parties to a Certain deed bearing date on 8th day of February 1843 and hereunto anexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Elizabeth Durham acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly Signed Sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hand and Seals this 8th day of February 1843

Richd. Croxton
Leond. Henley

Essex County Court Clerks office 11th April 1843

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in said office by James Durham one of the parties to the same to be his act and deed with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record as to the said James Durham and

Judith E. Wright the wife of James Wright and Elizabeth A. Durham the wife of said James Durham being three of the parties of the same

Teste
James M. Matthews DC for
James Roy Micon Clk"

On February 18, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/476 James Wright and Judith E. Wright sold to Polly Brizendine 86 acres of land:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 18th day of February in the year of our Lord 1843 between James Wright and Judith E his wife of the first part and Polly Brizendine of the second part all of the County of Essex and State of Virginia; Witnesseth that the said James Wright and Judith E his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Two hundred and thirty six dollars and fifty cents good and lawful money of this Commonwealth to them in hand well and truly paid by the said Polly Brizendine at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said Polly Brizendine her heirs and assigns forever a certain piece or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Essex and containing by actual survey Eighty six Acres which will appear by reference to a plat of the said land drawn by William R Purkins and bounded by the lands of Arthur Gordon the Est: of George Gordon and others. To have and to hold unto the said Polly Brizendine her heirs and assigns forever all their right title claim, interest and demand in the land above mentioned together with all and singular the woods timbers trees waters waters courses improvements hereditaments appendages and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use and behoof of her the said Polly Brizendine her heirs and assigns forever, and the said James Wright and Judith E his wife for themselves their heirs Exors admors or assigns do by these presents covenant and agree to and with the said Polly Brizendine her heirs and assigns that at the time of sealing and delivery of these presents they are seized of a good and lawfull right in the land above mentioned and that they have full and lawfull right and title to convey the same to the said Polly Brizendine her heirs and assigns in manner herein or hereby intended to be conveyed and that she the said Polly Brizendine may now and at all times hereafter possess occupy and enjoy the same freely of and discharged from the lawfull claim of all and every person or persons whatsoever

In Testamony whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their Seals the day and year first above written

James Wright
Judith E Wright

Essex County to wit

We Peter I Deireux and Leonard Henley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Judith E Wright the wife of James Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 18th day of February 1843 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Judith E Wright acknowledged that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this day of February 1843

P. I Diereux
Leonard Henley

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 20th Day of February 1843.

This Deed was this day acknowledged in Court by James Wright to be his Act and deed and with the Justices Certificate annexed Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On February 23, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/487 James Wright sold to his brother Thomas Wright four slaves:

"Know all men by these presents that I James Wright of Essex County for and in consideration of the Sum of four hundred and twenty five dollars to me in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright at and before the signing and sealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained and sold and delivered and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell and deliver unto the said Thomas Wright the following slaves to wit Hannah and her three children by name Sam Brown, William Latane, and infant child Mary Catharine the right and title to all which negroes and the increase of the females I the said James Wright for myself my heirs exors and admors doth covenant to protect and forever defend unto the said Thomas Wright his exors and admors & assigns against the claim and demand of all and every person and persons whatever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 23rd day of February 1843

Witness
Thomas Durham
Richd H Mitchell

James Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 1st 1843. This Bill of Sale was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by James Wright to be his Act and Deed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On February 23, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/488 Thomas Wright loaned those four slaves to James Wright and Judith Wright for their support:

"Know all men by these presents that I Thomas Wright of Essex County for the purpose of providing for the support and maintenance of Judith Wright the wife of James Wright my brother and her children and the further consideration of one dollar to me in hand paid by the said Judith Wright at and before the ensealing and signing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have loaned unto the said Judith Wright for the purposes aforesaid the following negro slaves to wit, Hannah and her three children Sam Brown, William Latane, and Mary Catharine To have and to hold the said negroes being the same I have this day purchased of the said James Wright for the purposes aforesaid during my own Will and pleasure reserving to myself the right to resume the possession of said Slaves at any time without giving any reason therefor and I do hereby constitute and appoint the said James Wright the agent for the purpose of managing said slaves and appropriating their labours and profits for the support and maintenance of the said Judith Wright and her children as herein before provided for. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 23rd day of February 1843

Witness
Thomas Durham
Richd H Mitchell

Thos: Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office March 1st 1843. This Deed of Loan was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by Thomas Wright to be his Act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On April 4, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/15 James Wright sold to Edward L. Wright a slave in discharge of a debt due:

"Know all men by these presents that I James Wright being indebted to Edward L Wright in the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars and thirty Cents as will appear by the Account hereto annexed in consideration thereof and the said Edward L Wright having agreed and contracted with me the said James Wright

to receive in full satisfaction and discharge thereof a negro man named Solomon valued by James Croxton Esqr and Doct: John S Trille at the sum of Three hundred and fifty dollars therefore I the said James Wright in consideration of the premises have granted bargained sold and delivered and by these presents doth grant bargain sell and deliver unto the said Edward L Wright the said Edward L Wright the said negro man Solomon which said negro is at this time about thirty years of age and for myself my heirs Executors and administrators do hereby covenant to and with the said Edward L Wright to protect and defend the title of said negro against the claim or demand of all and every person whatever lawfully claiming the same, and I the said Edward L Wright in consideration thereof do hereby acquit and discharge the said James Wright the amount due me by the Account before referred to and hereto annexed In Witness whereof the said James Wright and the said Edward L Wright have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year under written April 4th 1843

Jas Wright
Edward L Wright

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th Day of April 1843. This Bill of Sale may this day acknowledge in Court by James Wright to be his Act and deed and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On April 19, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/24 James Wright and Judith E. Wright sold to James Croxton their interest in a water grist mill:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 19th day of April 1843 between James Wright and Judith E his wife of the first and James Croxton of the second part all of the County of Essex and State of Virginia, Witnesseth that the said James Wright and Judith E his wife for and in consideration of the sum of fifteen hundred Dollars to them in hand paid by the said James Croxton the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged at or before the the signing and ensealing of these presents have bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns forever all their right title and interest in the water grist Mill which was conveyed to the said James Wright and James Croxton by Oscar M Crutchfield a Commissioner acting under a decree of the County Court also all the land attached to the said Mill which was conveyed by the said Commissioner fixtures & which will appear by reference to the said deed now of record in the County Court of Essex also all their interest the land which was conveyed to the said Croxton and Wright by John Misery and wife which deed is also of record in the County Court of Essex which land adjoins the Mill tract and the land formerly owned by the said Misery also all their

interest in the saw Mill which has been lately erected and all fixtures &c To have and to hold unto the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns forever the said Mill and land attached thereunto and the land purchased of Misery and the saw Mill lately erected above named together with all and singular its timber trees waters water courses improvements appendages and appertenances &c that was conveyed to the said Wright and Croxton and no more to the only proper use and behoof of him the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns forever; and the said James Wright and Judith E his wife for themselves their heirs Exors and admors covenant and agree to and with the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns that at the time of signing and ensealing of these presents that they are sized of a good and lawfull right in the said Mill and land Saw Mill &c herein conveyed and that the said James Croxton may now and all times hereafter possess and enjoy the same freely of and discharged from the lawfull claim or claims of all and every person or persons whatever In testamony whereof the parties to these presets have hereunto subscribed their names the day and year first above written

All interlineations and era-) Jas. Wright
sures made before signed) Judith E Wright

Essex County to wit

We James C Clapton and Severand Henley Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid & State of Virginia do hereby certify that Judith E Wright the wife of James Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date the 19th day of April 1843 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in County aforeaid & being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the said fully explained to her the said Judith E Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed the same and that she wished not to retract. Given under our hands & Seals this 22nd day of April 1843

J C Clopton
Severand Henley

Essex County Court Clerks Office April 24th 1843

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and acknowledged by the said James Wright to be his Act and deed and with the Justices Certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Ray Micon Clk"

On April 24, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/25 James Wright sold to James Croxton his interest in the property of Thomas A. Banks acquired by a sheriff's sale:

> "This Indenture made and entered into this 24 day of April 1843 between James Wright of the first part and James Croxton of the second part all of the County of Essex and State of Virginia Witnesseth that the said James Wright for and in consideration of the Sum of Three hundred Dollars good and lawfull money of the Commonwealth to him in hand paid at or before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns forever all his the said James Wrights interest in the property that was conveyed to the said Wright by Albert Micon late DS for Kemp Gatewood Sheriff of the County Essex which property was conveyed to the said Micon by Thos A Banks at the time of his taking the oath of an insolvent debtor under one or more executions from the Circuit Superior Court of Essex in the name of James Wright in the said Bank, all of which will more fully appear by reference to the said deed from the said Micon now of record in the County Court of Essex except said Banks interest in the lands which he inherited from his mother Lucy Banks who was Lucy Allen To have and to hold unto the said James Croxton his heirs and assigns all the property above named whether real or personal to the only proper use and behoof of him the said James Croxton together with and any singular its appertenances and appendages thereunto belonging or in any wise appertening to the only use &c of him the said and the said James Wright hereby covenants and agrees to and with the said Jas: Croxton his heirs and assigns that at the time of signing and ensealing of these presents he the said James Wright has full and legal right and title to convey the same in manner herein or hereby intended to be conveyed and that the said Jas. Croxton may now and at all times hereafter possess occupy and enjoy the same freely of and discharged from the lawfull right or claim of all and every person or persons whatever. In Testimony whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their Seals the day and year first above written
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> Jas Wright
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> 1836 February 26th Received the original deed recorded opposite hereto
>
> Leonard Henley Agent

Essex County Court Clerks Office April 25th 1843

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and acknowledged by James Wright to be his Act and Deed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On April 26, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/28 Edward L. Wright loaned to Thomas Wright a slave for the support of Judith E. Wright and her children:

"This Indenture made this 26th day of April 1843 between Edward L Wright of Essex County of the first part and Thomas Wright of the same County of the second part, Whereas James Wright by a bill of sale bearing date the 4th day of April 1843 and duly admitted to record by the County Court of Essex on the 17th day of April 1843 sold and conveyed to the said Edward L Wright a Negro man slave named Solomon and the said Edward L Wright on the same day by a deed of loan duly admitted to record on the same day with the bill of sale loaned to Judith E Wright the wife of said James Wright for the support of herself and children the said negro slave Solomon for the support of herself and children the possession of which was to be resumed at any time the said E. L Wright might think proper without giving a reason therefor and therein and thereby appointed the said James Wright agent to manage said negroes and appropriate their profit labour &c be and for the uses and purposes therein declared and whereas doubts have arisen whether the title acquired by said E. L Wright although fair and bona fide and for a valuable consideration is valid against the claim of the creditors of said James Wright the said E. L. Wright at the time he purchased said negro not having reduced him into actual possession but loaned him for the uses and purposes aforesaid; and to render any doubt that might exist the said E. L Wright since the execution of said bill of Sale and deed of loan has taken possession of said negro man Solomon conveyed to him by said James Wright as before stated but being desirous that the wife and children of said James Wright should be provided for in as much comfort as the embarrassed situation of said James will admit of and being willing according to his ability to provide the means therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Edward L Wright for and in consideration of the premises and the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath loaned and by these presents doth loan unto the said Thomas Wright the said negro man Solomon. To have and to hold said negro during the will and pleasure of said E. L Wright to the said Thomas Wright his Executors and administrators for the sole only exclusive and separate use of said Judith E Wright and her children the profits use and labours of said negro to be applied and appropriated to their sole and exclusive use and benefit and the said Thomas Wright doth hereby warrant to hold said negro slave for the uses purposes objects and intents herein before

named and for no other - and to suffer and permit the said E. L Wright to resume the possession thereof whenever he may choose or think proper to do so. In Witness whereof the said Edward L Wright and the said Thomas Wright have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and year first herein written

Edwd L Wright
Thos Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office April 27th 1843

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in the said Office by Edward L Wright to be his proper act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James M Mathews DCl
James Ray Micon Clk"

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
	James Wright	1	5	1

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks
3			1		1

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $100	5.68

The 1843 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
James Wright	Essex	fee	92	Trible & Dunn
Same			438	James Croxton
Same			118	Same

Distance and bearing from the Court house	__ Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value
9 South	3.00		276.00	.42
8 do	3.00		1314.00	2.08
do	4.50	400	531.00	.80

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
May 29	James Wright	1	7	3

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carriages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carriages and value	Gold Watches	____
1 $50					

		1			
					5.42½

The listing of James Wright in the 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, has not as yet been located.

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
James Wright	1	5	2	3

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $40				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
			1		

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				3.24½

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
James Wright	Essex	fee	78	Estate G M Trible & others

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
8 South	2.00		156.00	.16

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

This record reflects the sale in 1843 of 126 acres of land by Essex County Deed 47/518, 86 acres of land by Essex County Deed 47/476, and other land by Essex County Deeds 48/24 and 48/25.

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
James Wright	1	5	1	3

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $30				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
			1		

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				2.79½

The 1846 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
James Wright	Essex	fee	78	Estate John Trible

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
8 do	2.00		156.00	.16

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding
year, especially from whom transferred _____

On September 21, 1846, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/165 Thomas Wright transferred to John S. Trible, as trustee, certain slaves for the support of Judith Wright and her children:

> "This Indenture made this 21st day of September 1846, between Thomas Wright of Essex County of the first part, and John S. Trible of the same County of the second part - Whereas James Wright by bill of sale bearing date the 23d: day of February 1843 and duly admitted to record in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex on the 1st: day of March 1843 sold and conveyed to the said Thomas Wright the following negro slaves to wit Hannah and her three children Sam Brown, William Latane and an infant named Catharine and the said Thomas Wright on the same day by Deed of Loan duly admitted to record in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Essex on the day that the said bill of sale was admitted to record, loaned to Judith Wright the Wife of the said James Wright for the support of herself and her children the said negro slaves the possession of which was to be resumed at any time the said Thomas Wright might think proper and without giving a reason therefor, and therein and thereby appointed the said Thomas Wright the agent to manage the said negroes and appropriate their profits, labor &c: for the uses and purposes therein declared. And whereas doubts have arisen whether the title acquired by the said Thomas Wright although fair and bona fide and for a valuable consideration is valid against the claims of the creditors of the said James Wright, the said Thomas Wright at the time he purchased said negroes, not having reduced them into actual possession, but loaned them for the uses and purposes aforesaid and to remove any doubt that might exist, the said Thomas Wright, since the execution of the said bill of sale and Deed of Loan has taken the said possession of all and said negroes sold and conveyed to him by said James Wright as before stated, but being nevertheless desirous that the Wife and Children of said James Wright should be provided for in as much Comfort as the embarrassed situation of said James will admit of, and being willing according to his ability to provide the means therefor. Therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Thomas Wright for and in Consideration of the premises and and the sum of five dollars to him in hand paid by the said John S Trible before the signing and ensealing of this Indenture the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto the said John S Trible all the aforesaid negroes to wit - Hannah and Children Sam Brown, William Latane and Catharine - also boy Elias Child of said Hannah - To have and to hold the same and their increase to the said John S. Trible his Executors and administrators for the sole only exclusive and separate use of the said Judith Wright and her children and should any one of the Children of said Judith die, then for the use and benefit of the said Judith and such children as

shall remain - the profits use and labor of said negroes to be applied and appropriated to their sole use and exclusive benefits. And the said John S. Trible doth hereby Covenant to hold said negroes for the uses and purposes, objects and interests herein before named, and for no other.

In Witness whereof the said Thomas Wright and the said John S Trible have hereunto set their hands and Seals the day and year first herein written.

Thos: Wright

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 21st day of September 1846. This Deed of Trust was this day acknowledged in Court by Thomas Wright (the only party who has signed the same) to be his act and deed, and ordered to be recorded as to him.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The listing of James Wright in the 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, has not as yet been located.

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
James Wright	Essex	fee	78	Jno. S & Austen MTrible

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
8 S	2.00		156.00	.16

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
James Wright	2	7		3

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $20			1 $16	

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50
			1		

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				3.20½

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
Jas Wright	Essex	fee	78	John S & A. M. Trible

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
9 south	2.00		156.00	.16

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
James Wright	2	5	1	3

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $20			$10	

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
	1				

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				2.80

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
James Wright	Essex	Fee	78	Jno S & A M Trible

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
9 S	2.00		156.00	.16

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the Estate of James Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
James Wright Est.		6	1	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $16				

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
			1		

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			2.80½

This record reflects the death of James Wright in 1849.

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of James Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
James Wright Est	Essex	Fee	78	Same Same

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 S	2.00		156.00	.16

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

This record also reflects the death of James Wright in 1849.

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Judith E. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Judith E Wright	Essex	Fee	556	James Crocker

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 S	3.33	400.00	1861.48	1.87

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

Taken from lands charged to Geo Wright who held the life Est of James Wright yr husband at whose death said land reverts to you in fee

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Judith Wright with the following household on August 16, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Judith Wright	43	F		.	3000
Thomas Wright	20	F		Manager	
James Wright	18	M		None	
Mary Wright	15	F		.	
George Wright	12	M		.	
Henrietta Wright	7	F		.	
Ettmonia Wright	2	F		.	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia		.		
Virginia		.		
Virginia		.		
Virginia		1		
Virginia		1		
Virginia		1		
Virginia		.		

This record indicates that Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright was born in about 1807.

On February 1, 1856, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/828 Edward L. Wright, as trustee, and Judith E. Wright sold to John C. Brizendine 18-3/4 acres of land:

> "This Deed made the 1st day of February 1856 between Edwd L Wright acting Trustee of the late James Wright Judith E Wright the widow of the said James Wright decd and John C Brizendine, Witnesseth that in Consideration of the Sum of ninety three dollars, and 93-3/4/100 the said Edward L Wright acting Trustee as aforesaid and the said Judith E Wright the widow of the said James Wright do grant unto the said John C Brizendine all their right title and interest in and to a tract or parcel of land lying in the County of Essex and State of Virginia Containing Eighteen and three quarter acres, be the same more or less, and adjoining the lands of Willis Bucks Mrs Harriet Ann Brookes, and others, and the Said Edward L Wright widow trustee as aforesaid and the said Judith E Wright widow of the late James Wright do hereby warrant Specially the property hereby conveyed
>
> Witness the following seals and signatures
>
> Edwd L Wright Trustee
> Judith E Wright
>
> Essex County to wit
>
> I, Thomas Durham a Justice of the peace for the Said County in the State of Virginia do Certify that Edward L Wright acting Trustee of the late Col James Wright and Judith E Wright the widow of the said James Wright whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date on the 1st of February 1856 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this the 2nd day of February 1856
>
> Thomas Durham JP

Essex County Court Clerks Office June 6" 1856

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the Justices Certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Judith E. Wright with the following household on August 11, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Judith E Wright	53	F		Farmer	6000
James R Wright	26	M			
George Wright	22	M			
Ann E Wright	17	F			
Edmonia J Wright	11	F			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
18040	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		.		

This record indicates that Judith Edmondson (Mann) Wright was born in about 1807.

On September 18, 1869, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 52/457 Judith E. Wright sold to Watkins Harper 5 acres of land:

"This Deed made this 18th day of September 1869 between Judith E. Wright of the first part and Watkins Harper of the Second part. Witnesseth that in Consideration of the Sum of Twenty five Dollars the said Judith E Wright doth grant, bargain and sell unto the said Watkins Harper five Acres of land in the County of Essex adjoining the lands of Robert Harmans and the road between the said Judith E Wright and Amanda Derieux leading to Phillips' Mill and thence extending down said road to a chopped Cedar tree and thence across to a chopped pine tree and thence to Another pine tree in the line between the said

Judith E. Wright and Robert Harmons with general warranty - Given under my and seal the day and year above mentioned

Judith E. Wright

State of Virginia
Essex County - to wit

This day personally appeared before me, G. H. Dillard a Justice of the Peace for the said County Judith E Wright whose named is signed to the foregoing writing and acknowledged it to be her act and deed - Given under my hand this 17" day of August 1871

G. H. Dillard J.P.

Essex County Court Clerks Office Aug: 24th 1871

This deed was this day produced to me in my said Office duly stamped with a United States Revenue Stamp of the value of fifty Cents which is Cancelled and with the Justice's Certificate thereto annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1871 Sept 18" Received Original Deed recorded opposite

Witness
Cr. C. Latane Watkins his X mark" Harper

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Judith Wright with the following household on August 4, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Judith Wright	64	F	W	Keeping House	2500
Bettie A. Wright	25	F	W	Without occupation	
Edmonia Wright	21	F	W	Without occupation	
James R Wright	37	M	W	Collector of Revenue	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
300	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

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This record indicates that Judith Edmondson (Mann) Wright was born in about 1806.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed J. E. Wright with the following household on June 1, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
J. E Wright	W	F	73		
J. R Wright	W	M	47		Son
E. J Wright	W	F	30		Daughter
W. A Rollins	B	F	20		Servant
W Smith	B	F	10		Servant

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
W		Keeping house		
S		Farmer		
S		At home		
S		cook		
S		.		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that Judith Edmondson (Mann) Wright was born in about 1807.

The will of Judith E. Wright was dated in 1876, probated on April 20, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/305, and provided as follows:

"I Judith E Wright of Essex County Virginia being of sound mind and disposing memory do make and publish this my last Will and testament 1st I desire that all of my just debts to be paid 2nd I desire that my executor hereinafter named out of the personal property belonging to my estate shall give to my daughter Edmonia J Wright the sum of One hundred dollars, and to each of my children Edmonia J. James Robert and George M Wright one bedstead bed and necessary bed clothing which said special gifts are intended to put these names upon a footing with my daughter Bettie A Mitchell to whom I have already made advances 3rd After the payment of my debts and the special legacies in the clause next above given which said legacies or bequests in case there shall not be personal property belonging to my estate to satisfy, are hereby specially made a charge upon the land of which I may die seized, I desire the whole of the residue of my estate both real and personal shall be divided equally among my four children James Robert George M. Edmonia J and Bettie A Mitchell subject hower to the following restrictions and limitations. As to the share of James Robert that is to say that I desire in the division of the residue of my estate as above directed it being my intention to charge my said son James Robert with the said sum of One hundred dollars heretofore advanced to him as bond (board?) for the years 1873 1874 1875 and I do further desire and direct that the title to the share allotted to James Robert shall be vested in George M Wright and S. H. Mitchell who are hereby appointed trustees either of whom may act who shall hold the same in trust to use the same for the benefit of the said James Robert and such children as may be hereafter born to him and in such manner as to them or either of them who shall act may seem best free from the debts contracts or control of the said James Robert It being the intention of this testator to vest in the said trustees the absolute right to dispose of the property so conveyed in trust as to them or either of them who is acting will be most conducive to the welfare of the said Jas Robert and his issue 4th I appoint my son George M Wright executor of this my last will and testament and request that

the Court will allow him to qualify as such and as trustee without security Witness my hand and seal this ____ day ____ 1876

Signed and acknowledged Judith E Wright
in the presence of
J. S. Trible
Jas T Valentine
Wm A Trible

Virginia At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on Monday the 20th day of April 1885

This Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Judith E Wright decd was brought into Court and offered for proof and James T Valentine a subscribing witness to the said Will being first duly sworn deposed and said that he was present at the same time with John S Trible another subscribing witness to the said Will that they both subscribed their names as witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the testatrix and in the presence of each other, that they both saw the testatrix sign and heard her acknowledge the said writing to be her Will and that the testatrix was in perfect sense and memory at the time of executing the same And Stephen N Mitchell and James Roy Micon being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were well acquainted with the hand writing of J. S. Trible another subscribing witness to the said Will having frequently seen him write and seen much of his writing and that they believed the signature of the said J. S. Trible to be in the proper handwriting of the said Trible who is now dead and the Court being satisfied with this proof thereupon the said will was ordered to be recorded as the last will and Testament of Judith E Wright decd

Teste"

This record identifies the children of James Wright and Judith Edmondson (Mann) Wright living as of 1876 as follows:

1) Edmonia J. Wright,
2) James Robert Wright,
3) George M. Wright, and
4) Bettie A. (Wright) Mitchell.

This record further indicates that their three other children had died before 1876.

In September 1885 in the case of Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, S. W. Mitchell and his wife Bettie A. Mitchell file their petition for a division and allotment of the land of Judith E. Wright:

"To the Hon J. M. Jeffries Judge of the Circuit Court of Essex County

Humbly Complaining sheweth unto your Honor your orator S. W. Mitchell & your oratrix Bettie A. his wife who sues by the sd S W Mitchell her husband & next friend that Judith E. Wright departed this life in March 1885 possessed of a certain tract of land containing about 500 acres in the County of Essex. That she left your oratrix wife of S W. Mitchell George M. Wright, James R. Wright and Edmonia J. Wright as her children and heirs at law. That she died leaving a will and after making sundry depositions of her personal property she leaves her land to be equaly divided among her heirs at law as aforesaid the said land to be however subject to the charge and debt of $100.00 which she left to the said Edmonia J (See exhibit "A" herewith pled & prayed to be read with this Bill). That she left personal property enough to pay all outstanding claims against the estate. That her estate was committed to B. H. Robinson Sheriff of Essex & Committee admor.

Your orator & oratrix further state that the said real estate is, as they believe, susceptible of partition amongst the parties entitled thereto; that if it be not then your order & oratrix desire the same to be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the parties in proportion to their respective interests therein. That George M. Wright has departed this life in August 1885 leaving a widow Josie L. Wright, and three children under 14 years of age, George M. Mary Susan, and Leich

In tender Consideration Whereof, and for as much as your orator & oratrix are remediless in the premises, save by the act of a Court of Equity, where matters of the kind are alone and properly cognizable, your orator & oratrix pray that the said James R Wright, Edmonia J. Wright, Josie L. Wright widow of George M Wright decd B H Robinson Sheriff of Essex County & Committee admor of Judith E. Wright decd, George M. Wright, Mary Susan and Leich Wright the three last infant children of George M Wright decd under 14 years of age be made parties defts to this Bill and required to answer the same as fully particular, as if they were specially interrogated thereto, that a proper guardian ad litem be asigned the infant defendants to defend their interests in this suit that the said real estate be divided between the parties aforementioned entitled thereto and your oratrix's portion thereof allotted to her and in case the said real estate be indivisible in Kind that the same be exposed to sale & the proceeds thereof be distributed among the parties entitled, that proper process may issue; and that such other further and general relief may be afforded your orator & your oratrix as the nature of their case may require or to equity shall seem meet & your orator & oratrix will ever pray &c

S. W. Mitchell Jr.
Bettie A his wife who swore by S. W. Mitchell
her husband & next friend"

This record confirms the death of Judith Edmondson (Mann) Wright in March 1885 and identified her children who survived her as follows:

1) Bettie A. (Wright) Mitchell,
2) George M. Wright,
3) James R. Wright, and
4) Edmonia J. Wright.

This record also indicates that George M. Wright died in August 1885 and identified his family as follows:

Wife: Josie L. (____) Wright,

Children:
1) George M. Wright, born before September 1871,
2) Mary Susan Wright, born before September 1871, and
3) Leich Wright, born before September 1871.

On September 14, 1885, in Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, Josie L. Wright filed her answer to the petition:

"Mitchell & wife
v
Wrights

The answer of Josie L. Wright widow of George M Wright decd to a Bill in Chancery exhibited against her & others by Mitchell & wife in Essex Circuit Court

This respondent now and at all times saving & reserving &c answering saith that she is the widow of George M Wright decd and that she sees no objection to the partition sought for in the Bill & proceedings after all the debts are paid or at least the partition to be made subject to the payment of the debts and having answered prays hence to be dismissed with her costs &c she will ever pray &c

Josephine L. Wright in her own right &
as Admx of George M. Wright Dec'd

Buckingham Co Va. to wit:

The foregoing answer was signed and sworn to before me a justice of peace of said Co. this 14th day of Sept: in the year 1885

Walter Staples J.P."

This record indicates that Josie L. (____) Wright was residing in September 1885 in Buckingham County, Virginia.

On September 14, 1885, in Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, the children of Josie L. Wright filed their answer to the petition:

> "Mitchell & wife
> v
> Wrights
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> The answer of George M. Wright, Mary Susan Wright & Leich Wright infant children of George M. Wright, dec under 14 years of age by James Roy Micon assigned gdn ad litem to a Bill of Complaint exhibited by Mitchell & wife against their orators.
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> Your respondents reserving & saving &c answer & say that they are infants incapable of defending themselves & know nothing of the allegations of the said Bill - they therefore put themselves & their interests under the protection of the Court & having answered pray hence to be dismissed with their costs &c will ever pray
>
> George M Wright
> Mary Susan Wright &
> Leich Wright infants
> of George M Wright decd under 14 years of age by James Roy Micon(?) assigned their Guardian ad litem"

On September 14, 1885, in Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, James R. Wright and Edmonia J. Wright filed their answer to the petition:

> "Essex Circuit Court
> Mitchell & wife
> v
> Wright
>
> The answer (joint & separate) of James R. Wright and Edmonia J. Wright to a Bill of Complaint exhibited by S W Mitchell & wife against us & others.
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> Your respondents now & at all times saving &c answer & say that the allegations of the Bill are true and that they think the land in the Bill & proceedings mentioned susceptible of partition and should be divided & recommend it a

advisable under the circumstances and having answered pray to be dismissed with their costs in his behalf expended & will ever pray &c

Jas R Wright
Edmonia J. Wright"

On September 22, 1885, in Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, the court appointed commissioners to divide and allot the land of Judith E. Wright:

"Mitchell & wife
v
Wrights

This Cause Came on this day to be heard upon the Bill, the answer of the infant defendants Mary Susan Wright, George M Wright and Leich Wright infant children of George M. Wright decd under 14 years of age, by James Ray Micon assigned guardian ad litem by the Court to defend them, the answers of James R. Wright, Edmonia J. Wright and B. H. Robinson Sheriff of Essex County & Committtee admor of Judith E. Wright decd and Josie L. Wright widow of George M. Wright decd with replication thereto and now argued by Counsel on consideration whereof, the Court doth order that A. R. Micon, G. H. Dreland John W. Smith and William Campbell who are hereby appointed Commissioners for the purpose any three of whom may act, having been first duly sworn, do proceed to lay off and divide the real estate which Judith E. Wright died seized and possessed Consisting of a tract of some 500 acres called Vernon Farm in Essex County, into four (4) equal parts, having regard to quality and quantity and assign one fourth (1/4) part to the said S. W. Mitchell & wife, one fourth (1/4) part to James R. Wright, one fourth (1/4) part to Edmonia J. Wright, one fourth (1/4) part to to the heirs of George M Wright decd subject to the dower of Josie L. Wright his widow to wit 1/3 of the same for life But if the said Commissioners should find it impracticable to divide the said land among the aforesaid parties or should be of opinion that the interest of the said parties would be promoted by a sale of the same in such case they are required to report the facts upon which their opinion is based to the Court, and also what in their opinion is the fee simple value of the whole of the real estate of which Judith E. Wright died seized & possessed, and in either case they are required to report their proceedings under this order to the Court."

On December 26, 1885, in Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, the commissioners filed their report for the division of the land of Judith E. Wright:

"To the Circuit Court of Essex County

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County by a decree rendered on the __ day of September 1885, in the Chancery cause of Mitchell vs Wright, to divide the real estate of which Mrs. Judith E Wright died seised and possessed, report to the Court. That on the 8th day of October 1885 we met on the premises and after careful examination partitioned the same as follows.

Lot No 1	50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements, fronting on road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house
Lot No 2	Estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the North of road dividing farm
Lot No 3	Estimated to contain 135 acres being the South East portion of the said farm, the dividing line starting at a Honey pod tree also the corner to No 1 & 2 on said road and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos 3 & 4
Lot No 4	Estimated to contain 135 acres being the S.W. portion of said farm and being the balance of the said farm on the South of said road

Lot No 1 was drawn by S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife, who was Bettie A Wright
Lot No 2 " " by J. R. Wright
Lot No 3 " " by Miss Edmonia Wright
Lot No 4 " " " heirs of Geo W Wright

Respectfully submitted Geo H. Dillard)
Jno W. Smith) Comrs
A. R. Micon)"

On June 25, 1895, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 58/69 the court approved the division of the land of Judith E. Wright among her heirs:

"To the Circuit Court of Essex County

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County by a decree rendered on the 22 day of September 1885, in the chancery cause of Mitchell vs: Wright to divide the real estate of which Mrs Judith E. Wright died seised and possessed, report to the court. That on the 8" day of October 1885, we met on the premises and after careful examination, partitioned the same as follows:

Lot No 1 50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements fronting on road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house

Lot No 2 Estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the North of road dividing farm,

Lot No 3 Estimated to contain 135 acres, being the South East portion of the said farm, the dividing line starting at a Honey pod tree also the corner to Nos 1 & 2 on said road, and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos. 3 & 4.

Lot No 4 Estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm, and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road

Lot No 1 was drawn by S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife, who was Bettie A. Wright

Lot No 2 was drawn by J. R Wright

Lot No 3 " " " Miss Edmonia J Wright

Lot No 4 " " " heirs of Geo. M. Wright.

Respectfully submitted.

G. H. Dillard)
Jno. W. Smith) Comrs.
A. R. Mion)

Virginia In the Circuit Court of Essex County June 25" 1895

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the report of Commissioners G. H. Dillard, John W. Smith and A. R. Micon, after being duly sworn, filed 26" December 1885, to which there are no exceptions and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the court doth confirm said report and doth decree that the partition of the said land into the said four lots in the said report be firm and stable, and doth further decree that lot no 1 containing 50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements fronting on the road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house drawn by

S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife who was Bettie A. Wright that lot No 2, estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the north of road dividing farm drawn by J R Wright, that lot No 3 estimated to contain 135 acres, being the southeast portion of the said farm the dividing line starting at a Honey pod tree also the corner to Nos 1 & 2 on said road and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos 3 & 4 drawn by Miss Edmonia J. Wright and lot No 4, estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road drawn by heirs of Geo: M. Wright be and remain firm and stable and that a copy of this decree be certified to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex to be recorded and indexed as the law directs, and the objects of this suit having been accomplished, it is ordered to be sticken from the docket. It is ordered that the costs & expenses of this suit be apportioned and paid by the parties who have proportionally received the benefits as shown by commissioner's report of partition

A copy Teste
H. Southworth Clerk

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office July 8" 1895

This copy of partition, and the order confirming the same was this day received from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk."

This record indicates that Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright's son George M. Wright had died before October 8, 1885, leaving heirs.

On December 25, 1895, in Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, Josie L. Wright filed a petition on behalf of her children for a division of the land of James R. Wright that was allocated to him from the estate of Judith E. Wright:

"Mitchell & wife)
vs) Petition
Wright)

The Hon. T. R. B. Wright, Judge of the Circuit Court for Essex County

The Petition of George M. Wright, Mary S. Wright and Leich Wright, infant children of George M. Wright dec'd, by their Mother Josie L Wright, their next friend, respectfully represents that there was a Chancery suit pending in the

Circuit Court of Essex County to divide the real estate of Judith E. Wright, dec'd among her heirs at law and that by the said division James R. Wright now dec'd, drew lot No. 2 which allotment was ratified and confirmed by decree entered in this Cause on the 25th day of January 1895. That since said partition, the said James R. Wright, has departed this life intestate, leaving as his heirs at law, the said George M. Wright, Mary S. Wright and Leich Wright, infant children of George M. Wright, dec'd. Bettie A. Mitchell and Edmonia J. Wright, who are now entitled to lot No. 2. Your petitioner further represents that the said Chancery suit of Mitchell & wife vs. Wright has been stricken from the docket of the Court less than three Months and respectfully asks that the same may be reinstated in order that lot No 2. in Commissioners Report filed on the 25th of Decr. 1885 may be partitioned among the parties entitled thereto.

Josie L. Wright, next friend &c
by Counsel"

This record indicates that James R. Wright had died in before December 25, 1885.

On December 31,1895, in Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, the court appointed commissioners to divide the land of James R. Wright:

"Virginia: In the Circuit Court of Essex County December 31 1895

Mitchell
against
Wright

On the motion of Geo. M. Wright, Mary S. Wright and Leich Wright infant children of George M. Wright, deceased, by Josie L. Wright, their next friend, leave is given them to reinstate the chancery suit of Mitchell & wife vs: Wright, upon the docket of the court, and this cause coming on then to be heard upon the papers formerly read and the petition of Josie L. Wright, next friend &c this day filed in this cause by leave of the court and was argued by counsel. Upon consideration whereof it appearing to the court from the said petition of Josie L. Wright next friend &c that lot no. 2 in the report of G R Dillard Jno. W. Smith and A. R. Micon, filed in this cause on the 25" day of December 1895, which was drawn by James R. Wright dec'd should be divided and portioned among his heirs at law the court doth order that G. R. Dillard, Jno. M. Owen and Geo. M. Trible, who are hereby appointed commissioners for the purpose, having been first duly sworn do proceed to lay off, divide and allot the said lot No. 2 into three equal parts, having regard to quality and quantity, and assign one third to the said Geo: W. Wright, Mary S. Wright & Leich Wright, infant children of said Geo. W. Wright deceased one third (1/3) to Bettie W. Mitchell and one third (1/3) to Edmonia Wright. But if the said commissioners should find it impracticable to

divide the said land among the aforesaid parties, or shall be of opinion that the interest of the said parties would be promoted by a sale of the same in such case they are required to report the facts upon which they have their opinion, to court, and also what in their opinion is the fee simple value of the said lot of land. And in either case they are directed to report their proceedings to court.

A copy Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

On February 18,1896, in Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, the court appointed commissioners divided the land of James R. Wright and recommended a survey and plat of the land be made:

"We the undersigned Commission appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County to divide allot and assign the land belonging to the estate of James Robert Wright decd between the children of George M. Wright decd namely George M Wright, Mary S. Wright and Leich Wright and Betty W Mitchell and Edmonia Wright in three equal parts to Wit. To Edmonia Wright 1/3 one third And allot and assign lot no 1. including the the dwelling house of the late James R Wright decd to Edmonia Wright, Lot No 2 to Betty W. Mitchell adjoining lot No. 1 and allot and assign lot No 3. to the infant children of the said George M Wright decd and adjoining lot No 2. Lot No 1 upon which the house stands to Contain ten (10) Acres less than each of the two other lots, lot No 2 and No 3. Lot No 1 to run from the public road back in a morth westerly direction to the Poverty Hill farm and the other lots No 2 & 3 to ____ parallen Lot No 1 extending back in same direction.

We would recommend that the farm of the late James R Wright be surveyed a plat of same be made and lines be run between the said lots of land all of which is respectfully submitted 19th February 1896

G. H. Dillard
G. M. Trible
Jno. M Owen

We had no plat of the farm or any writing by which we could ascertain the quantity of land the tract contained. None of the legatees had a plat Perhaps the report made in the original report of the description by A R Micon may show it. We were all sworn before entering upon the discharge of our duties.

G. H. Dillard

Coms. fees $2 each $6.00

Virginia In Essex County Court Clerks office January 22" 1904

This copy of partition and the order confirming the same was this day received from the clerk of the Circuit Court of said county and admitted to to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk."

On September 5,1896, in Mitchell v. Wright, Essex County, Virginia, Chancery Court Loose Papers Box 102, the court confirmed the dividion of the land of James R. Wright among his heirs:

"Virginia: In the circuit court of Essex County Sept. 5, 1896

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the plat & report of the County Surveyor W. D. Carter, filed in the cause on the 20" day of May 1879 and was argued by counsel. Upon consideration whereof the court doth confirm the partition of the land in the bill and proceeding mentioned, as shown by the report of special commissioners, G H Dillard G. M Trible and John M Owen filed in the case on the 20" day of Feby 1896 and the plat filed in the cause by the county surveyor on the 20" day of May 1896, which report assigns to Edmonia Wright lot no 1 as shown by said plat, to Bettie Mitchell lot No 2 as shown by said plat and to George M, Leich and Mary S. Wright infant children of George M Wright deceased lot no 3 as shown by the said plat. And the court doth further adjudge order and decree that the parties entitled to the said lots pay the costs of this suit including the surveyor's bill of twenty one dollars and each lot is hereby charged with a lien for one third of said costs including the costs of survey. And should any of the costs remain unpaid at the next regular term of this court, the party or parties failing to comply with the order of this decree and summoned to appear and show cause why the court should not at that time appoint a special commissioner to rent out the land liable for costs for the payment of the same

A Copy Teste
H. Southworth clerk"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that James Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex

County and Mary (Pitts) Wright and married Judith E. Mann in 1827 and that James Wright and Judith E. (Mann) Wright had the following children:

1) Betty A. (Wright) Mitchell, born in 1845,

2) James Robert Wright,

3) Edmonia J. Wright, and

4) George M. Wright.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of James Wright and Judith Edmondson (Mann) Wright were the following:

1) Thomas A. Wright, born in about 1830 and before May 16, 1830, in Virginia,

2) James Robert Wright, born in about 1832 or 1833 or 1834 in Virginia,

3) Mary Susan Wright, born in about 1835 in Essex County, Virginia,

4) George M. Wright, born on June 7, 1839, in Essex County, Virginia,

5) Henrietta Wright, born in about 1843 in Virginia,

6) Ann Elizabeth (Wright) Mitchell, born in about 1845 in Essex County, Virginia, and

7) Edmonia J. Wright, born in about 1848 or 1849 or March 1851 in Virginia.

i. Thomas A. Wright

Thomas A. Wright was a son of 1849 James Wright of Essex County and Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1849 James[4])

The will of Benjamin Wright dated on May 16, 1830, probated on November 15, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 22/163, listed James Wright's son Thomas A. Wright as a beneficiary:

> "It is my Wish when I die, that what Money or bonds I leave may be divided in the following manner I give to my Little sister Susan Wright five hundred dollars, to Charles H Wright one Hundred Dollars, to Edward G Wright one hundred dollars to Richd Wright my brother one hundred dollars, to James Wright's little son Thos. A Wright I give one hundred dollars, ..."

This record indicates that Thomas A. Wright was born before May 16, 1830.

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas A. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Thomas A Wright	1			

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright in the Judith Wright household on August 16, 1850, and his age as 20 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1830.

The will of Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright dated in 1876 and probated on April 20, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/305 did not mention a son Thomas A. Wright, indicating that he had probably died before 1876.

ii. 1896 James Robert Wright Of Essex County

1896 James Robert Wright of Essex County was a son of 1849 James Wright of Essex County and Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1849 James[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed James Wright in the Judith Wright household on August 16, 1850, and his age as 18 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1832.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed James R. Wright in the Judith E. Wright household on August 11, 1860, and his age as 26 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1834.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed James R. Wright in the Judith Wright household on August 4, 1870, his age as 37 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1833, and his occupation as collector of revenue.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed J. R. Wright in the J. E. Wright household on June 1, 1880, his age as 47 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1833, and his occupation as farmer.

The will of Judith E. Wright dated in 1876 and probated on April 20, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/305, listed James Robert Wright as one of her children:

> ". . . . 2nd I desire that my executor hereinafter named out of the personal property belonging to my estate shall give to my daughter Edmonia J Wright the sum of One hundred dollars, and to each of my children Edmonia J. James Robert and George M Wright one bedstead bed and necessary bed clothing which said special gifts are intended to put these names upon a footing with my daughter Bettie A Mitchell to whom I have already made advances 3rd After the payment of my debts and the special legacies in the clause next above given which said legacies or bequests in case there shall not be personal property belonging to my estate to satisfy, are hereby specially made a charge upon the land of which I may die seized, I desire the whole of the residue of my estate both real and personal shall be divided equally among my four children James Robert George M. Edmonia J and Bettie A Mitchell subject hower to the following restrictions and limitations. As to the share of James Robert that is to say that I desire in the division of the residue of my estate as above directed it being my intention to charge my said son James Robert with the said sum of One hundred dollars heretofore advanced to him as bond (board?) for the years 1873 1874 1875 and I do further desire and direct that the title to the share allotted to James Robert shall be vested in George M Wright and S. H. Mitchell who are hereby appointed trustees either of whom may act who shall hold the same in trust to use the same for the benefit of the said James Robert and such children as may be hereafter born to him and in such manner as to them or either of them who shall act may seem best free from the debts contracts or control of the said James Robert It being the intention of this testator to vest in the said trustees the

absolute right to dispose of the property so conveyed in trust as to them or either of them who is acting will be most conducive to the welfare of the said Jas Robert and his issue . . . ."

On October 8, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 58/69 the court appointed commissioners divided the land of Judith E. Wright among her heirs, including son J. R. Wright:

"To the Circuit Court of Essex County

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County by a decree rendered on the 22 day of September 1885, in the chancery cause of Mitchell vs: Wright to divide the real estate of which Mrs Judith E. Wright died seised and possessed, report to the court. That on the 8" day of October 1885, we met on the premises and after careful examination, partitioned the same as follows:

Lot No 1	50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements fronting on road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house
Lot No 2	Estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the North of road dividing farm,
Lot No 3	Estimated to contain 135 acres, being the South East portion of the said farm, the dividing line starting at a Honey pod tree also the corner to Nos 1 & 2 on said road, and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos. 3 & 4.
Lot No 4	Estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm, and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road

Lot No 1 was drawn by S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife, who was Bettie A. Wright

Lot No 2 was drawn by J. R Wright

Lot No 3 " " " Miss Edmonia J Wright

Lot No 4 " " " heirs of Geo. M. Wright.

Respectfully submitted.

G. H. Dillard)
Jno. W. Smith) Comrs.
A. R. Mion)

Virginia In the Circuit Court of Essex County June 25" 1895

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the report of Commissioners G. H. Dillard, John W. Smith and A. R. Micon, after being duly sworn, filed 26" December 1885, to which there are no exceptions and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the court doth confirm said report and doth decree that the partition of the said land into the said four lots in the said report be firm and stable, and doth further decree that lot no 1 containing 50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements fronting on the road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house drawn by S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife who was Bettie A. Wright that lot No 2, estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the north of road dividing farm drawn by J R Wright, that lot No 3 estimated to contain 135 acres, being the southeast portion of the said farm the dividing line starting at a Honey pod tree also the corner to Nos 1 & 2 on said road and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos 3 & 4 drawn by Miss Edmonia J. Wright and lot No 4, estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road drawn by heirs of Geo: M. Wright be and remain firm and stable and that a copy of this decree be certified to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex to be recorded and indexed as the law directs, and the objects of this suit having been accomplished, it is ordered to be sticken from the docket. It is ordered that the costs & expenses of this suit be apportioned and paid by the parties who have proportionally received the benefits as shown by commissioner's report of partition

A copy Teste
H. Southworth Clerk

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office July 8" 1895

This copy of partition, and the order confirming the same was this day received from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk."

This record indicates that Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright's son James Robert Wright survived until at least October 8, 1885.

On February 29, 1896, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 61/485 the court appointed commissioners divided the land of James Robert Wright:

"We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County to divide, allot and assign the land belonging to the estate of James Robert Wright dec'd, between the children of George M. Wright dec'd, namely: George M. Wright, Mary S. Wright, and Leich Wright and Betty N. Mitchell and Edmonia Wright in three equal parts to wit: to Edmonia Wright 1/3 one third, and allot and assign lot No. 1 including the dwelling house of the late James R. Wright dec'd to Edmonia Wright, Lot No. 2 to Betty N. Mitchell adjoining lot No. 1, and allot and assign lot No. 3 to the infant children of the said George M. Wright dec'd and adjoining lot No. 2, Lot No. 1 upon which the house stands to contain ten (10) acres less than each of the two other lots, lot No. 2 and No. 3. Lot No. 1 to run from the public road back in a North Westerly direction to the Poverty Hill farm and the other lots No. 2 & 3 to run parallel with lot No. 1 extending back in same direction. We would recommend that the farm of the late James R. Wright be surveyed a plat of same be made and lines be run between the said lots of land. All of which is respectfully submitted, 29th February 1896.

G. H. Dillard)
G. M. Trible) Commissioners
Jno. M. Owen)

We had no plat of the farm or any writing by which we could ascertain the quantity of land the tract contained, none of the legatees had a plat, perhaps the report made in the original report of the division by R. R. Micon may show it. We were all sworn before entering upon the discharge of our duties.

G. H. Dillard

Virginia: In the Circuit Court of Essex County September 5" 1896.

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the plat & report of the County Surveyor, W. D. Carter filed in the cause on the 20" day of May 1896 and was argued by counsel. Upon consideration whereof the court doth confirm the partition of the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned as shown by the report of special commissioners G. H. Dillard, G. M. Trible and John M. Owen filed in the cause on the 20" day of Feby. 1896, and the plat filed in the cause by the County Surveyor on the 20" day of May 1896 which report assigns to Edmonia Wright lot No. 1 as shown by said plat: to Bettie Mitchell Lot No. 2 as shown by said plat and to George M. Leich and Mary S. Wright infant children of George M. Wright deceased Lot No. 3 as shown by the said plat. And the court doth further adjudge order & decree that the parties entitled to the said lots pay the costs of this suit including the surveyors bill of Twenty one dollars; and each lot is hereby charged with a lien for one third of said costs, including the cost of survey; and should any of the costs remain unpaid at the next regular term of this court, the party or parties failing to comply with the order of this decree are summoned to appear and show cause why the court should not at that time appoint a special commissioner to rent out the land liable for costs for the payment of the same.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerks office January 22" 1904.

This copy of partition and the order confirming the same, was this day received from the clerk of the Circuit Court of said county and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

This record indicates that James Robert Wright died before February 29, 1896, in Essex County, Virginia.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that James Robert Wright was a son of James Wright and Judith E. (Mann) Wright.

iii. Mary Susan Wright

Mary Susan Wright was a daughter of 1849 James Wright of Essex County and Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1849 James[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright in the Judith Wright household on August 16, 1850, and her age as 15 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1835.

The death record of Mary Susan Wright, daughter of James and Judith Wright, was dated on October 19, 1858, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Place of Death:	Essex
Line Number:	4
Name of Deceased:	Mary Susan Wright
Race:	
Sex:	
Age:	23
Date of Death:	October 19, 1858
Place:	Essex Co
Cause of Death:	Consumption
Name of Parents:	James & Judith Wright
Birthplace of Deceased:	Essex Co
Occupation:	
Consort of:	Unmarried
Name of Informant:	Geo. M. Wright
Relation of Informant:	Brother
Commissioner of the Revenue:	
Date Record Filed:"	

iv. 1885 George Mann Wright Of Portsmouth, His Wife Josephine (Leitch) Wright, And His Descendants

1885 George Mann Wright of Mortsmouth, was a son of 1849 James Wright of Essex County and Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1849 James[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright in the Judith Wright household on August 16, 1850, and his age as 12 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1838.

The death record of Mary Susan Wright dated October 19, 1858, at Essex County, Virginia, listed her as the daughter of James and Judith Wright and George M. Wright as her brother.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright in the Judith E. Wright household on August 11, 1860, and his age as 22 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1838.

The Ninth Virginia Cavalry by Robert F. Krick stated as follows with regard to the service of George Mann Wright in the Civil War:

> "Wright, George M.: Enl. 6/10/61 in Co. F, age 22. Farmer. Absent sick, April 1862 and June 1863. Promoted to Cpl., 5/13/62. Present at 10/11/64 final roll. Paroled at Mechanicsville, 5/2/65."

The will of Judith E. Wright dated in 1876, and probated on April 20, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/305, listed George M. Wright as one of her children:

> ". . . . 2nd I desire that my executor hereinafter named out of the personal property belonging to my estate shall give to my daughter Edmonia J Wright the sum of One hundred dollars, and to each of my children Edmonia J. James Robert and George M Wright one bedstead bed and necessary bed clothing which said special gifts are intended to put these names upon a footing with my daughter Bettie A Mitchell to whom I have already made advances 3rd After the payment of my debts and the special legacies in the clause next above given which said legacies or bequests in case there shall not be personal property belonging to my estate to satisfy, are hereby specially made a charge upon the land of which I may die seized, I desire the whole of the residue of my estate both real and personal shall be divided equally among my four children James Robert George M. Edmonia J and Bettie A Mitchell subject hower to the following restrictions and limitations. As to the share of James Robert that is to say that I desire in the division of the residue of my estate as above directed it being my intention to charge my said son James Robert with the said sum of One hundred dollars heretofore advanced to him as bond (board?) for the years 1873 1874 1875 and I do further desire and direct that the title to the share allotted to James Robert shall be vested in George M Wright and S. H. Mitchell who are hereby appointed trustees either of whom may act who shall hold the same in trust to use the same for the benefit of the said James Robert and such children as may be hereafter born to him and in such manner as to them or either of them who shall act may seem best free from the debts contracts or control of the said James Robert It being the intention of this testator to vest in the said trustees the absolute right to dispose of the property so conveyed in trust as to them or either of them who is acting will be most conducive to the welfare of the said Jas Robert and his issue 4th I appoint my son George M Wright executor of this my

last will and testament and request that the Court will allow him to qualify as such and as trustee without security . . . ."

The marriage record of George M. Wright and Josephine Leitch was dated on November 28, 1878, at Buckingham County, Virginia:

"Marriage License
Virginia Buckingham County to wit:
To any Person Licensed to Celebrate Marriages

You are hereby authorised to join together in the Holy State of Matrimony according to the rites and ceremonies of your Church, or religious denomination, and the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia George M. Wright and Josephine Leitch

Given under my hand as Clerk of the County Court of Buckingham this 27" day November 1878

P A Forbes Clerk

Certificate to Obtain a Marriage License

Time of Marriage, Nov 28 1878
Place of Marriage, Buckingham
Full Names of Parties Married, Geo M Wright & Josephine Leitch
Color, White
Age of Husband, 39 Years
Age of Wife, 25 "
Condition of Husband (single)
Condition of Wife (single)
Place of Husband's Birth, Essex
Place of Wife's Birth, Buckingham
Place of Husband's Residence, Richmond
Place of Wife's Residence, Buckingham
Names of Husband's Parents, James & Judith Wright
Names of Wife's Parents, Thomas M & Mary Leitch
Occupation of Husband, Minister of the Gospel

Given under my hand this 27th day of November 1878

P. A. Forbes Clerk.

Minister's Return of Marriage

I Certify, That on the 28th day of November 1878 at Mt Ida, Buckingham Co Va I united in Marriage the above named and described parties, under authority of the annexed License

T. M. Beckham"

The 1880 Census for Albemarle County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on June 14, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
George Wright	W	M	41		.
Josa Wright	W	F	25		Wife
George Wright	W	M	6/12	Dec	Son

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Minister		
M		Keeping house		
S		.		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Virginia	Va	Va
			Virginia	Va	Va
			Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that George Mann Wright was born in about 1839 and that Josephine (Leitch) Wright was born in about 1855.

Sketches Of The Virginia Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South included the following sketch of George Mann Wright:

"Rev. George Mann Wright.

It would take all the space assigned to this name to tell even a tithe of the incidents of the war related by this humorous cavalier, who rode through it from

beginning to the end, and who bore a gallant part in its achievements. His military record is a worthy factor in that fame that fills the world with the renown of heroic deeds. He is best known as a preacher of singular popularity in the Conference and among his people. The body is ever fond fo George. The boys cluster around him, and the patriarchs never weary of his company. he has infinite humor, and his burlesque descriptions would tickle the ribs of death. among his parishioners he is held in unbounded favor. He knows everybody; visits every house; while his kind hear melts at sorrow, he has a cheerful word for all. The sleek and cunning proselyter coming into our fold, is soon put to flight by a rattling piece of wit tacked to him.

Descended from a family of note, with a social standing, the marks of good breeding everywhere show themselves in Mr. Wright. He never violates even the small proprieties of polite life. While he is all things to all men, it is to win them to Christ. The desire for the success fo the gospel dominates his life. he is a great worker. he draws all his thoughts that way. He is the son of Col. James Wright, of Essex. His mother was Judith Edmundson Wright. The preacher was born in that county on the 7th June, 1839.

He received an academic education at Fleetwood Academy, which was a flourishing institution, at that time under the Presidency of Oliver White, assisted by James C. Council and James W. Smith.

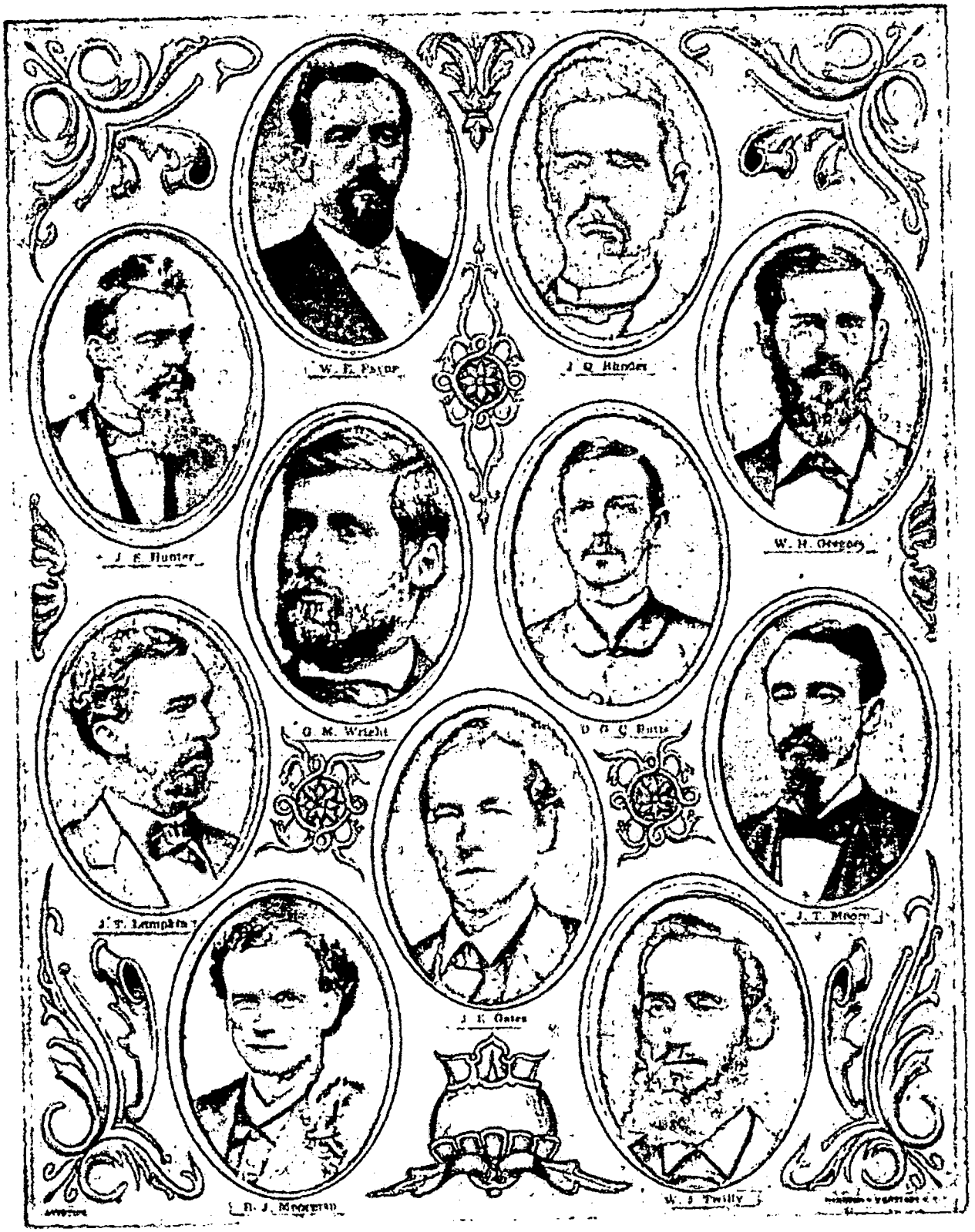
At the commencement of the war he volunteered and joined a cavalry company, from his county, remaining in service the whole war.

He was converted in a meeting conducted by Rev. Charles H. Boggs, who was then chaplain of the 9th Virginia cavalry, and connected himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. After the close of the war, he returned to his home, and farmed for several years, as he had been deprived of the means of completing his education. During this time he felt called to the ministry, but did not make it known to any one, but to his surprise was advised by several ministers and laymen to enter the ministry.

In the Fall of 1869, he joined the Virginia Conference, at the session in Richmond, Virginia. His first appointment was King William circuit, which he travelled three years; from this place to Petersburg, in charge of Blandford and Wesley chapel, remaining there three years; and from there to Richmond, in charge of Oregon, where he served four years. He is now on the Scottsville circuit.

He was married in 1878 to Miss Josie Leitch, of Buckingham County, with whom he is now happily journeying through life."

A photograph was included with the sketch and he is the middle photographin the second column from the left.



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Virginia Deaths and Burials, 1853-1912 listed the death of George M. Wright on July 23, 1885, in Portsmouth, Virginia:

"Name:	Geo M. Wright
Gender:	Male
Burial Date:	
Burial Place:	
Death Date:	23 Jul 1885
Death Place:	Portsmouth, Virginia
Age:	45
Birth Date:	1840
Birthplace:	Essex Co.
Occupation:	Minister, Me Church
Race:	White
Marital Status:	Unknown
Spouse's Name:	
Father's Name:	James Wright
Father's Birthplace:	
Mother's Name:	Judith Wright
Mother's Birthplace:	
Indexing Project (Batch) Number:	B06991-7
System Origin:	Virginia-EASY
Source Film Number:	2048594
Reference Number:	IM17 p9 ln2"

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of George M. Wright in the Cedar Grove Cemetery, Portsmouth, Virginia:

"In Memory of
My Beloved Husband
Rev Geo M Wright
Born in Essex Co. Va
June 7, 1839
Died in Portsmouth Va
July 23, 1885"

On October 8, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 58/69 the court appointed commissioners divided the land of Judith E. Wright among her heirs, including the heirs of her son George M. Wright:

"To the Circuit Court of Essex County

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cause of Mitchell vs: Wright to divide the real estate of which Mrs Judith E. Wright died seised and possessed, report to the court. That on the 8" day of October 1885, we met on the premises and after careful examination, partitioned the same as follows:

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Lot No 4 — Estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm, and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road

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Lot No 2 was drawn by J. R Wright

Lot No 3 " " " Miss Edmonia J Wright

Lot No 4 " " " heirs of Geo. M. Wright.

Respectfully submitted.

G. H. Dillard)
Jno. W. Smith) Comrs.
A. R. Mion)

Virginia In the Circuit Court of Essex County June 25" 1895

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the report of Commissioners G. H. Dillard, John W. Smith and A. R. Micon, after being duly sworn, filed 26" December 1885, to which there are no exceptions

and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the court doth confirm said report and doth decree that the partition of the said land into the said four lots in the said report be firm and stable, and doth further decree that lot no 1 containing 50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements fronting on the road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house drawn by S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife who was Bettie A. Wright that lot No 2, estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the north of road dividing farm drawn by J R Wright, that lot No 3 estimated to contain 135 acres, being the southeast portion of the said farm the dividing line starting at a Honey pod tree also the corner to Nos 1 & 2 on said road and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos 3 & 4 drawn by Miss Edmonia J. Wright and lot No 4, estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road drawn by heirs of Geo: M. Wright be and remain firm and stable and that a copy of this decree be certified to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex to be recorded and indexed as the law directs, and the objects of this suit having been accomplished, it is ordered to be sticken from the docket. It is ordered that the costs & expenses of this suit be apportioned and paid by the parties who have proportionally received the benefits as shown by commissioner's report of partition

A copy Teste
H. Southworth Clerk

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office July 8" 1895

This copy of partition, and the order confirming the same was this day received from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk."

This record indicates that Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright's son George M. Wright had died before October 8, 1885, leaving heirs.

Minutes Of The One Hundred And Third Session Of The Virginia Annual Conference Of The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Held At Petersburg, Virginia, November 11-17, 1885 provided a Memoir of George Mann Wright:

"Memoirs.
Rev. George Mann Wright.
by W. E. Judkins

Re. George Mann Wright was born in Essex county, Va., on the 7th of June 1839, and died in Portsmouth, Va., on the morning of July 23d, 1885.

His parents were Colonel James and Mrs. Judith E. Wright. He received an academic education at Fleetwood Academy, and was preparing to enter one of our colleges when the late war began. The call to arms, however, led him to volunteer his services, and he joined a cavalry company from his native county at the commencement of the war and continued in the service until the war ended. He was converted in a meeting conducted by Rev. Charles H. Boggs, who was the chaplain of the Ninth Virginia Cavalry, and connected himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

After the close of the war he returned to his home, and being deprived of the means for completing his education, engaged in farming for several years. During this time he felt called to the ministry, but did not make it known. To his surprise, however, others, who felt persuaded of his call - ministers and laymen - advised him to enter the ministry. At last he yielded to his convictions and and their advice, and in the fall of 1869 joined the Virginia Conference at its session in Richmond. His first appointment was King William Circuit, which he travelled for three years. His next appointment was in Petersburg, at Blandford and Wesley Chapel, which charge he served three years; and from there he was sent to "Oregon," now known as "Laurel Street," Richmond, where he served four years. From there he was sent to "Scottsville Circuit," which he travelled two years, and thence to "Second Street," Portsmouth, where he was closing up his fourth year of service when death claimed him.

He was most happily married in 1878 to Miss Josie Leitch, daughter of Colonel Thomas M. Leitch, of Buckingham county, Va. This cultured Christian lady became in an eminent sense a helpmeet to him, and, with their three children, claims the tender and prayerful sympathies of his brethren. Her gentleness, deep piety, and devotion to him and his work served as a daily inspiration, and often nerved him to renewed exertion.

As a man and a minister Brother Wright was eminently popular, both with his brethren of the Conference and the people among whom he lived. He was endowed by nature with qualities unusually magnetic. Among these we may mention with emphasis his rare humor, an almost childlike simplicity of spirit, manliness without guile, warmth of affection, cordiality of manner, and unselfishness ever apparent, sympathy, generosity and frankness. Over these Divine grace presided, and wrought in him such largeness of the spirit of humanity as to lead men everywhere instinctively to hail him as a brother. He had a quick insight, and read character with more than ordinary precision; but was so noble and generous of heart, and so intent on doing good, that, where many would have shown antipathy and excited antagonism, he won and held to him respect and affection from all classes. The poorest and the richest seemed alike to enshrine him in their hearts.

As a Christian he was deeply pious. As a minister he was throughly consecrated. His humility and singleness of purpose were conspicuous. He was a man of one work, and so intent on saving souls and building up the Church that his zeal often led him to overexertion and hazard of health.

As a pastor perhaps few men ever excelled him. His labors in this department of ministerial work were attended with marked results. He did not stop with visiting his own people. In his last charge, especially, he was noted for his visits to all classes - often to the homes of the most destitute, not connected with his congregation. Thus did he endear himself to the people, and this were many brought by his influence to the Church and to Christ.

As a preacher he was plain, most fervent, earnest and scriptural, having the talent largely and aptly to weave into his sermons quotations from the Word of God.

We have not the facts concerning the measure of his success in other charges, save to say his ministry was generally successful; but it has been truly said that "His last station was his throne of triumph." Here his success has rarely been equalled, and perhaps never excelled, in the history of our Conference. In a ministry of about three years and a half there were 417 conversions, 313 accessions to the church, and 214 adult and infant baptisms. The result of this spiritual success was the building of a new and beautiful church edifice, at a cost, with the ground, of about $13,000. It stands to-day, not only as one of the most beautiful church buildings in our Conference, but is a fitting monument to his memory as the product of his zeal and God-given success. So fully was this felt by his brother ministers in Norfolk, Portsmouth and Berkeley, and by the people of his late charge, that the church building, though named "Centenary" when dedicated, has been by vote of the Quarterly Conference changed in name, and is henceforth to be properly known as the "Wright Memorial Church." This is a tribute which, so far as we are advised, is unique in the history of our Conference. The name was thought by some the proper one as due him, when dedicated, but he would never have consented to its bearing his name while living. Now that he is gone, his brethren felt it but just to his memory.

His End.

Brother Wright was sick about four weeks. He was seriously sick from the first, but not thought to be dangerously so. His sickness was thought by some to be largely due to overwork in a protracted meeting held a short while before, and in pastoral visitation. He had the most skillful medical attention, and devoted, faithful nursing, not only from his wife and sister, but from experienced members of his charge. The attention and devotion of the latter to him were such as to arrest the attention and deeply touch the hearts of his friends. Public sympathy was quickly aroused. Prayer went up for him day and night. It was noted that, at

our District Conference, which met during his illness, in every public prayer offered during the session special supplication went up for him. As his illness progressed and became more threatening the sympathy deepened. All classes, in and out of the Church, manifested it. His influence had made itself felt so generally, and he was so universally beloved throughout the city, that all seemed anxious to keep him back from the gates of death. From the first, however, to the last, he seemed deeply impressed with the conviction that his sickness would end in death. He was a great sufferer, not only from pain but great nervous prostration.

On one occasion, when he seemed very much depressed, a friend who was daily nursing him said, "Brother Wright, you say you would like to live, but feel you will not get well; are your resigned either way?" When, with a smile of assurance, he answered boldly, "Perfectly, perfectly; the will of God be done." To one of his brother stewards he often said, "How glad I am that I made my preparation before this: now is no time for that. My mind is perfectly easy; all is well."

Often he would say, "How much would I love to stay with my wife and children, but God's will be done." To his wife he would say, "I shan't be with you long, but the Lord will provide." To two of the ladies of his charge, who nursed him like a son, day and night, he would often say, "How kind and faithful you are; God bless you. We shall meet and love each other in Heaven."

He retained his consciousness almost to the last hour. Among his utterances but a few hours before his death were: "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith," and "Though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him." "All's well."

Thus passed aay our unselfish, noble George Wright. His death was mourned by the city. His funeral was attended by a large concourse of citizens, and his body laid to rest in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

The Ministerial Association of Portsmouth, composed of ministers of the different denominations, met and adopted a paper embodying a beautiful and brotherly tribute to his memory. His own brethren of the ministry held a similar meeting and published a paper expressive of their affection for him, and sense of loss in his death. Well has it been said by Dr. Lafferty that "He died in the arms of victory, and in the embrace of a weeping Conference."

As we assemble here to-day we realize the "gap in our ranks where our dead comrade stood." Farewell dear brother! Of few may it be more truly said, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

On August 15, 1895, at Cumberland County, Virginia, D.B. 37/386 J. L. Wright joined other heirs of F. M. Leitch to convey to R. J. Shepherd 127 acres of land on the James River:

> "This Deed Made this 15st day of August in the year 1895 between Wm. Leitch & Mary his wife of Kansas City, Mo. Mary L. Segar & Jno. C. Segar her husband of Spotsylvania County, Va. J. L. Wright & A. L. Lancaster & Nat Lancaster her husband these last named of Ashland, Va. parties of the first part and R. J. Shepherd party of the second part These therefore are to Witness that in consideration of the sum of One thousand Dollars the said Wm. Leitch & others do grant & convey unto the said R. J. Shepherd with general warranty all that certain parcel piece or tract of land lying & being in the Counties Buckingham & Cumberland State of Va. on James River & having the river for its Northern boundary & bounded on the west by a Creek running in a southerly direction & on the South by the lands of Bryant & others & on the East by the Lands of W. D. Tuckers thence to the said River. The said real Estate hereby conveyed being a part of the conveyed to the said Wm. Leitch and others by decree of Circuit Court of Buckingham Co. as heirs of late F. M. Leich & duly recorded in Clerks Office of Buckingham Co. and by recent sur_y made by J. Stanley Reynolds surveyor of Cumberland Co., Va. Contains one hundred and twenty seven Acres (127 acres) The said parties of the first part covenant that they have the right to convey the said land to the grantee that they have done no act to encumber the said land; that the grantee shall have done no act to encumber the said land; that the grantee shall have quiet possession of the said land free from all encumbrances & that they will execute such further assurance of the said land as may be required. Witness the following signatures & seals.
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> William Leitch
> Mary L. Leitch
> Mary L. Segar
> J. C. Segar
> J. L. Wright
> A. L. Lancaster
> Nat Lancaster
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> State of Missouri
> County of Jackson SS
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> On this 24th day of Aug. 1895 before me Geo. A. Higenbotham a Notary Public in and for said County personally appeared William Leich and Mary L. Leich to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same as their free act and deed.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal at my office in Kansas City the day and year first above written.

My term Expires Feby. 3d 1896

Geo. A. Higenbotham
Notary Public
My Term Expires 2/3, 96

State of Virginia
County of Spotsylvania, to wit

On this the 28th day of August 1895, before me R. L. Hester JP in & for the aforesaid County, appeared before me Mary L. Segar & John C. Segar her husband & Mrs. Josie L. Wright to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument & acknowledged the same as their free act and deed.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal in this day & year above mentioned

R. L. Hester J.P.

State of Virginia
County of Hanover to wit

I H. K. Sutton a Notary Public for the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do certify that A. L. Lancaster and Nat Lancaster her husband whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed, dated the 15th day of August 1895, have acknowledged the same before me, in my County aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 13th day of September AD 1895.

H. K. Sutton N.P.

[Plat]

In Cumberland County Court Clerk's office Novr. 26, 1895

This Deed from Leich & als to R. L. Shepherd was this day lodged in said office and with certificates and Platt annexed admitted to record.

Teste
J. B. Flippen Clerk"

This record indicates that Joseph (Leitch) Wright resided in 1895 in Ashland, Hanover County, Virginia.

On February 29, 1896, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 61/485 the court appointed commissioners divided the land of James Robert Wright, including the heirs of George M. Wright:

"We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County to divide, allot and assign the land belonging to the estate of James Robert Wright dec'd, between the children of George M. Wright dec'd, namely: George M. Wright, Mary S. Wright, and Leich Wright and Betty N. Mitchell and Edmonia Wright in three equal parts to wit: to Edmonia Wright 1/3 one third, and allot and assign lot No. 1 including the dwelling house of the late James R. Wright dec'd to Edmonia Wright, Lot No. 2 to Betty N. Mitchell adjoining lot No. 1, and allot and assign lot No. 3 to the infant children of the said George M. Wright dec'd and adjoining lot No. 2, Lot No. 1 upon which the house stands to contain ten (10) acres less than each of the two other lots, lot No. 2 and No. 3. Lot No. 1 to run from the public road back in a North Westerly direction to the Poverty Hill farm and the other lots No. 2 & 3 to run parallel with lot No. 1 extending back in same direction. We would recommend that the farm of the late James R. Wright be surveyed a plat of same be made and lines be run between the said lots of land. All of which is respectfully submitted, 29th February 1896.

G. H. Dillard)
G. M. Trible) Commissioners
Jno. M. Owen)

We had no plat of the farm or any writing by which we could ascertain the quantity of land the tract contained, none of the legatees had a plat, perhaps the report made in the original report of the division by R. R. Micon may show it. We were all sworn before entering upon the discharge of our duties.

G. H. Dillard

Virginia: In the Circuit Court of Essex County September 5" 1896.

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the plat & report of the County Surveyor, W. D. Carter filed in the cause on the 20" day of May 1896 and was argued by counsel. Upon consideration whereof the court doth confirm the partition of the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned as shown by the report of special commissioners G. H. Dillard, G. M. Trible and John M. Owen filed in the cause on the 20" day of Feby. 1896, and the plat filed in the cause by the County Surveyor on the 20" day of May 1896 which report assigns to Edmonia Wright lot No. 1 as shown by said plat: to Bettie Mitchell Lot No. 2 as shown by said plat and to George M. Leich and Mary S. Wright infant children of George M. Wright deceased Lot No. 3 as shown by the said plat. And the court doth further adjudge order & decree that the parties entitled to the said lots pay the costs of this suit including the surveyors bill of Twenty one dollars; and each lot is hereby charged with a lien for one third of said costs, including the cost of survey; and should any of the costs remain unpaid at the next regular term of this court, the party or parties failing to comply with the order of this decree are summoned to appear and show cause why the court should not at that time appoint a special commissioner to rent out the land liable for costs for the payment of the same.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerks office January 22" 1904.

This copy of partition and the order confirming the same, was this day received from the clerk of the Circuit Court of said county and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

This record identifies the heirs of George M. Wright as follows:

1) George M. Wright, Jr.,

2) Mary S. Wright, and

3) Leich Wright.

On August 15, 1898, at Cumberland County, Virginia, D.B. 38/320 Nat Lancaster, as Trustee, William Leitch, Mary L. Segar, Josephine L. Wright, and Annie L. Lancaster executed a release of the deed of trust given by R. J. and Maria A.

Shepherd to secure the promissory notes used to purchase the land conveyed in Cumberland County Deed 37/386:

> "Whereas on the 15th day of August, 1895, R. J. Shepherd and Maria A. his wife, of the first part executed a deed to Nat Lancaster, Trustee, of the second part which said deed of trust was recorded in Cumberland County Court Clerk's Office on the 11th day of February 1896 in Deed Book No. 37 page 421, conveying certain lands therein mentioned and hereinafter more fully described, and which deed was executed to said Lancaster as Trustee to secure William Leitch and others the payment of the sum of seven hundred and forty six dollars and sixty-eight cents (746.68) payable in three notes bearing date of August 15th 1895; one note payable August 15th 1896, for the sum of Two hundred and thirty-five dollars and fifty-five cents ($235.55); one note payable August 15th, 1897, for two hundred and forty-eight dollars and ninety cents ($248.90); one note payable August 15th 1898, for the sum of two hundred and sixty two dollars and twenty-two cents ($262.22) with a waiver of the said R. J. Shepherd's benefit of his homestead exemption. And, Whereas, the notes actually executed and intended to be secured by the said deed of trust are not fully and accurately described in the said deed of trust but were made by the said R. J. Shepherd for the deferred payments of the purchase money for the lands of Wm. Leitch, Josephine L. Wright, Mary L. Segar and Annie L. Lancaster, and which lands are the same that were described in the said deed of trust and which said notes, intended to be thereby secured were all payable to Nat Lancaster, Trustee, as will be seen from an inspection of the same, all of which are hereto attached, and are to be considered as a part of this deed and to be accordingly recorded along therewith: the signature of two of them having been removed.
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> And, whereas, the said notes have all been satisfied and paid and the indebtedness represented by them constitutes all of the claim or lien of every kind that the said Nat Lancaster, as Trustee, Wm. Leitch, Mary L. Segar, Josephine L. Wright and Annie L. Lancaster or either of them has upon the said lands, aforesaid, all of which is evidenced by their signatures hereto attached, and whereas, the said R. J. Shepherd is now entitled to have the said lands released to him and the said beneficiaries having directed that such release be made which is also evidenced by said signatures, Now, This Deed of Release made and entered into, this 15th day of August 1898, by and between Nat Lancaster, Trustee, under the deed of trust aforesaid, from R. J. Shepherd and Maria A., his wife, of the first part, and the said R. J. Shepherd, of the second part: Witnesseth: That for and in consideration of the premises and the sum of one dollar cash in hand paid (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged) the said party of the first part, by and with the consent of the said William Leitch, Mary L. Segar, Josephine L. Wright and Annie L. Lancaster and the said Nat Lancaster, acting as Trustee for them conceding the propriety and justice thereof all of which is evidenced by the signatures hereto, doth hereby release unto the said R. J. Shepherd all of that certain parcel, piece or tract of land lying and

being in the county of Cumberland and State of Virginia, on James River, and having said River as its northern boundary, and bounded on the west by a creek, and on the south by lands of Bryant and others, and on the east by lands of W. Dallas Tucker and the lands hereby released being the same lands that were conveyed to the said William Leitch and others under decree of the Circuit Court of Buckingham County and containing by a survey of J. Stanley Reynolds 127 acres and being the same lands that were conveyed to the said R. J. Shepherd by a deed from William Leitch and others dated on the 15th day of August, 1895, and recorded in Cumberland County Court Clerk's Office and conveyed by the said R. J. Shepherd and wife to the said Nat Lancaster, Trustee, by the trust deed aforesaid.

Witness the following signatures and seals.

Nat Lancaster Trustee
William Leitch
Mary L. Segar
J. C. Segar
Josephine L. Wright
Annie L. Lancaster

State of Missouri
City of Kansas City to wit:

I, David Thornton, a Notary Public for the City aforesaid do certify that William Leitch whose name is signed to the annexed writing bearing date on the 15th day of August, 1898, this day personally appeared before me in my city aforesaid and acknowledged the same. Given under my hand this 12 day of Oct. 1898.

David Thornton
Notary Public

My Commission expires May 26th 1900.

State of Missouri
City of Kansas City to-wit:

I, T. T. Crittenden Jr. Clerk of the County Court of the County of Jackson do certify that David Thornton whose name is signed to the foregoing certificate of acknowledgment is and was at the time of signing the same a Notary Public duly qualified and that full faith and credit are due to his official acts as such. Given under my hand and the seal of the County Court, this 12th day of October 1898.

T. T. Crittenden, Jr.

State of Virginia
County of Hanover, to-wit:

I, H. R. Sutton, a Notary Public for the county aforesaid do certify that Nat Lancaster Trustee, Josephine L. Wright and Annie L. Lancaster, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date of the 15th day of August 1898, personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid and acknowledged the same severally. Given under my hand this 28th day of October, 1898.

H. R. Sutton,
Notary Public

State of Virginia
County of Spotsylvania, to-wit,

I, R. L. Hester a Justice of the Peace for the county aforesaid do certify that Mary L. Segar, whose name is signed to the annexed writing bearing date on the 15th day of August, 1898, this day personally appeared before me in my county aforesaid and acknowledged the same.

Given under my hand this the 7th day of November 1898.

R. L. Hester, J.P.

(Following are the notes referred to in this deed, Clk.)

$235.55 Richmond, Va. Aug. 15th 1895.

One year after date I promise to pay to Nat Lancaster Trustee or order, without offset Two hundred & thirty five - 55/100 Dollars This note secured by deed of trust, Negotiable and payable at City Bank of Richmond, Va. Value received. The drawer and endorser of this note hereby waive the benefit of my exemption as to this debt. Endorsed, Nat Lancaster Trustee Cr.

N. Lancaster.

$248.90 Richmond, Va. Aug. 15th 1895.

Two years after date I promise to pay to Nat Lancaster Trustee or order, without offset, two hundred & forty eight - 90/100 Dollars. This note is secured by deed of trust, Negotiable and payable at City Bank of Richmond, Va. Value received,

The drawer and endorser of this note hereby waive the benefit of my exemption as to this debt.

Endorsed, Nat Lancaster Trustee Cr.

Nat Lancaster.

$262.22 Richmond Va. Aug. 15th 1895.

Three years after date I promise to pay to Nat Lancaster Trustee or order, without offset, two hundred & sixty two - 22/100 Dollars. This note is secured by deed of trust. Negotiable and payable at City Bank of Richmond, Va. Value received. The drawer and endorser of this note hereby waive the benefit of my exemption as to this debt.

Endorsed, Credit within note by fifty ($50.00) Dollars paid Aug. 15th 1898.

Nat Lancaster Trustee.

In Cumberland County Court Clerk's Office on the 10th of December 1898.

The foregoing deed of release was this day presented in the said office and with the certificates of acknowledgment thereon endorsed admitted to record - 50 cents in internal revenue stamps being attached & cancelled.

Teste,
J. B. Flippen, Clk."

This record indicates that Josephine (Leitch) Wright resided in 1898 Hanover County, Virginia.

The 1900 Census for Hanover County, Virginia, listed Josephine Wright with the following household on June 5, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
Rail Road Street		217	217	Josephine Wright Leach Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	Oct	1853	46	Wd
Son	W	M	Jan	1885	15	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
	3	3	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			.		.
			at school		9

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				

This record indicates that Josephine (Leitch) Wright was born in October 1853.

The 1910 Census for Hanover County, Virginia, listed Josephine L. Wright with the following household on April 18, 1910:

Line Number	Location: Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
9	Henry Street		96	105	Josephine L. Wright Mary G. Wright James L. Wright

Relationship: Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Personal Description: Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Mother of how many children: Number born	Number now living
Head	F	W	56	Wd		3	3
Daughter	F	W	27	S		.	.
Son	M	W	25	S		.	.

Nativity: Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. if born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.			Citizenship	
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		

Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Occupation: Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	Occupation: General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Occupation: Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Boarding house keeper		Emp
English	Teacher	Music	OA
English	Clerk	Insurance Office	W

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee. Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Occupation (cont'd) If an employee. Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Education: Whether able to read	Education: Whether able to write	Education: Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
.	.	yes	yes	
.	.	yes	yes	
no	0	yes	yes	

Ownership of Home: Owned or Rented	Ownership of Home: Owned free or mortgaged	Ownership of Home: Farm or house	Ownership of Home: Number of farm schedule	Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
R		H				

This record indicates that Josephine (Leitch) Wright was born in about 1854.

The 1920 Census for Hanover County, Virginia, listed Josephine Wright in the Leitch Wright household on January 12, 1920:

Line number	Location: Street, avenue, road etc.	Location: House number or farm	Location: Dwelling Number	Location: Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
	Henry Street		176	186	Leitch Wright Frances Wright Josephine Wright Mary Wright

Relation.	Tenure.		Personal Description			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	O	M	M	W	35	M
Wife			F	W	21	M
Mother			F	W	62	Wd
Sister			F	W	36	S

Citizenship			Education		
Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
				yes	yes
				yes	yes
				yes	yes
				yes	yes

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person		Father		Mother	
Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	

Occupation				
Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
yes	Broker	stocks & bonds	Em	
yes	none	.	.	
yes	none	.	.	
yes	Teacher	Public School	W	

This record indicates that Josephine (Leitch) Wright was born in about 1858.

The 1930 Census for Hanover County, Virginia, listed Josie L. Wright in the J. Leitch Wright household on April 8, 1930:

Place of Abode				
Street, avenue, road etc.	House number (in cities or towns)	Number of dwelling house in order of visitation	Number of family in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 1, 1930 was with this family. Enter surname first, then given name, and middle initial (if any). Omit children born since April 1, 1930
Caroline Avenue		29	29	J. Leitch Wright Frances W Wright Helen L Wright James L Wright Jr Josie L Wright Mary E Wright

Relation.	Home Data			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family	Home owned or rented	Value of home if owned, or monthly rental if rented	Radio set	Does this family live on a farm
Head	O	17,000	R	no
Wife				
Daughter				
Son				
Mother				
Sister				

Personal Description					Education	
Sex	Color or race	Age at last birthday	Marital condition	Age at at first marriage	Attended school or college any time since September 1, 1929	Whether able to read and write
M	W	43	M	31	no	yes
F	W	31	M	21	no	yes
F	W	9	S	.	yes	yes
M	W	9/12	S	.	no	no
F	W	76	Wd	.	no	yes
F	W	46	S	.	no	yes

Place of Birth

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated and of his or her parents. If born in the U.S., give state or territory. If of foreign birth, give county in which birthplace is now situated.

Person	Father	Mother
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Mother Tongue or Native Language				Citizenship, etc.		
Language spoken in home before coming to the United States	Code (for office use only) State or M.T.	Country	Nativity	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Natural-ization	Able to speak English
						yes
						yes
						yes
						no
						yes
						yes

Occupation and Industry			Employment	
Occupation Trade, profession, or particular type of work, as spinner, salesman, etc.	Industry Industry or business, as cotton mill, dry goods store, etc.	Code (for office use only)	Whether actually at work yesterday (or last regular working day) Yes or no	If not, line number on Unemployment
Agent	Insurance	8885	Yes	
none				
none				
none				
none				
Librarian	State	9794	Yes	

Veterans		
Whether a veteran of U.S. military or naval forces		
Yes or no	What war or expedition	Number of farm schedule
No		

This record indicates that Josephine (Leitch) Wright was born in about 1854.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Josephine (Leitch) Wright in the Woodland Cemetery, Hanover County, Virginia:

"Josephine Leitch
wife of
Rev George Mann Wright
Oct. 13, 1853
Nov. 2, 1937"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that George M. Wright was a son of James Wright and Judith E. (Mann) Wright and married ____ and that George M. Wright and ____ (____) Wright had the following children:

1) George M. Wright, Jr., and
2) Mary S. Wright.

v. Henrietta Wright

Henrietta Wright was a daughter of 1849 James Wright of Essex Conty and Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1849 James[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas Wright in the Judith Wright household on August 16, 1850, and his age as 20 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1830.

vi. Ann Elizabeth Or Betty A. (Wright) Mitchell, Her Husband Stephen W. Mitchell, And Her Descendants

Ann Elizabeth or Betty A. (Wright) Mitchell was a daughter of 1849 James Wright of Essex County and Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1849 James[4])

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Ann E. Wright in the Judith E. Wright household on August 11, 1860, and her age as 17 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1843.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Betty A. Wright in the Judith Wright household on August 4, 1870, and her age as 25 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1845.

The marriage record of Bettie A. Wright and Stephen W. Mitchell was dated on September 30, 1875, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Date: September 30, 1875
Husband: Stephen W. Mitchell
Wife: Bettie A. Wright
Age of Husband: 40
Age of Wife: 30
Status of Husband: Single
Status of Wife: Single
Birthplace of Husband: Essex County, Virginia
Birthplace of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Residence of Husband: Essex County, Virginia
Residence of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Parents of Husband: Rev. Richard H. Mitchell and Miss Martha G. Mitchell
Parents of Wife: James Wright and Miss Judith E. Mann
Occupation of Husband: Merchant"

The will of Judith E. Wright dated in 1876, and probated on April 20, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/305, listed Bettie A. Mitchell, the wife of S. H. Mitchell, as one of her children:

> ". . . . 2nd I desire that my executor hereinafter named out of the personal property belonging to my estate shall give to my daughter Edmonia J Wright the sum of One hundred dollars, and to each of my children Edmonia J. James Robert and George M Wright one bedstead bed and necessary bed clothing which said special gifts are intended to put these names upon a footing with my daughter Bettie A Mitchell to whom I have already made advances 3rd After the payment of my debts and the special legacies in the clause next above given which said legacies or bequests in case there shall not be personal property belonging to my estate to satisfy, are hereby specially made a charge upon the land of which I may die seized, I desire the whole of the residue of my estate both real and personal shall be divided equally among my four children James Robert George M. Edmonia J and Bettie A Mitchell subject hower to the following restrictions and limitations. . . . and I do further desire and direct that the title to the share allotted to James Robert shall be vested in George M Wright and S. H. Mitchell who are hereby appointed trustees either of whom may act who shall hold the same in trust to use the same for the benefit of the said James Robert and such children as may be hereafter born to him and in such manner as to them or either of them who shall act may seem best free from the debts contracts or control of the said James Robert It being the intention of this testator to vest in the said trustees the absolute right to dispose of the property so conveyed in trust as to them or either of them who is acting will be most conducive to the welfare of the said Jas Robert and his issue . . . ."

On October 8, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 58/69 the court appointed commissioners divided the land of Judith E. Wright among her heirs, including her daughter Bettie A. (Wright) Mitchell:

> "To the Circuit Court of Essex County
>
> We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County by a decree rendered on the 22 day of September 1885, in the chancery cause of Mitchell vs: Wright to divide the real estate of which Mrs Judith E. Wright died seised and possessed, report to the court. That on the 8" day of October 1885, we met on the premises and after careful examination, partitioned the same as follows:
>
> Lot No 1 — 50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements fronting on road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house

Lot No 2 Estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the North of road dividing farm,

Lot No 3 Estimated to contain 135 acres, being the South East portion of the said farm, the dividing line starting at a Honey pod tree also the corner to Nos 1 & 2 on said road, and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos. 3 & 4.

Lot No 4 Estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm, and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road

Lot No 1 was drawn by S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife, who was Bettie A. Wright

Lot No 2 was drawn by J. R Wright

Lot No 3 " " " Miss Edmonia J Wright

Lot No 4 " " " heirs of Geo. M. Wright.

Respectfully submitted.

G. H. Dillard)
Jno. W. Smith) Comrs.
A. R. Mion)

Virginia In the Circuit Court of Essex County June 25" 1895

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the report of Commissioners G. H. Dillard, John W. Smith and A. R. Micon, after being duly sworn, filed 26" December 1885, to which there are no exceptions and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the court doth confirm said report and doth decree that the partition of the said land into the said four lots in the said report be firm and stable, and doth further decree that lot no 1 containing 50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements fronting on the road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house drawn by S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife who was Bettie A. Wright that lot No 2, estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the north of road dividing farm drawn by J R Wright, that lot No 3 estimated to contain 135 acres, being the southeast portion of the said farm the dividing line starting at a

Honey pod tree also the corner to Nos 1 & 2 on said road and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos 3 & 4 drawn by Miss Edmonia J. Wright and lot No 4, estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road drawn by heirs of Geo: M. Wright be and remain firm and stable and that a copy of this decree be certified to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex to be recorded and indexed as the law directs, and the objects of this suit having been accomplished, it is ordered to be sticken from the docket. It is ordered that the costs & expenses of this suit be apportioned and paid by the parties who have proportionally received the benefits as shown by commissioner's report of partition

A copy Teste
H. Southworth Clerk

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office July 8" 1895

This copy of partition, and the order confirming the same was this day received from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk."

On February 29, 1896, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 61/485 the court appointed commissioners divided the land of James Robert Wright, including Betty N. Mitchell:

"We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County to divide, allot and assign the land belonging to the estate of James Robert Wright dec'd, between the children of George M. Wright dec'd, namely: George M. Wright, Mary S. Wright, and Leich Wright and Betty N. Mitchell and Edmonia Wright in three equal parts to wit: to Edmonia Wright 1/3 one third, and allot and assign lot No. 1 including the dwelling house of the late James R. Wright dec'd to Edmonia Wright, Lot No. 2 to Betty N. Mitchell adjoining lot No. 1, and allot and assign lot No. 3 to the infant children of the said George M. Wright dec'd and adjoining lot No. 2, Lot No. 1 upon which the house stands to contain ten (10) acres less than each of the two other lots, lot No. 2 and No. 3. Lot No. 1 to run from the public road back in a North Westerly direction to the Poverty Hill farm and the other lots No. 2 & 3 to run parallel with lot No. 1 extending back in same direction. We would recommend that the farm of the late James R. Wright be surveyed a plat of same be made and lines be run

between the said lots of land. All of which is respectfully submitted, 29th February 1896.

G. H. Dillard)
G. M. Trible) Commissioners
Jno. M. Owen)

We had no plat of the farm or any writing by which we could ascertain the quantity of land the tract contained, none of the legatees had a plat, perhaps the report made in the original report of the division by R. R. Micon may show it. We were all sworn before entering upon the discharge of our duties.

G. H. Dillard

Virginia: In the Circuit Court of Essex County September 5" 1896.

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the plat & report of the County Surveyor, W. D. Carter filed in the cause on the 20" day of May 1896 and was argued by counsel. Upon consideration whereof the court doth confirm the partition of the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned as shown by the report of special commissioners G. H. Dillard, G. M. Trible and John M. Owen filed in the cause on the 20" day of Feby. 1896, and the plat filed in the cause by the County Surveyor on the 20" day of May 1896 which report assigns to Edmonia Wright lot No. 1 as shown by said plat: to Bettie Mitchell Lot No. 2 as shown by said plat and to George M. Leich and Mary S. Wright infant children of George M. Wright deceased Lot No. 3 as shown by the said plat. And the court doth further adjudge order & decree that the parties entitled to the said lots pay the costs of this suit including the surveyors bill of Twenty one dollars; and each lot is hereby charged with a lien for one third of said costs, including the cost of survey; and should any of the costs remain unpaid at the next regular term of this court, the party or parties failing to comply with the order of this decree are summoned to appear and show cause why the court should not at that time appoint a special commissioner to rent out the land liable for costs for the payment of the same.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerks office January 22" 1904.

This copy of partition and the order confirming the same, was this day received from the clerk of the Circuit Court of said county and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Bettie Mithel with the following household on June 11, 1900:

Location			
In Cities			
Street	House Number	Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
		135	136	Bettie Mithel
				Mary Sue Mithel
				Windman Mithel
				Edmonia Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	F	Aug	1845	54	Wd
Daughter	W	F	Oct	1877	22	S
Son	W	M	Dec	1881	18	S
Sister	W	F	March	1851	49	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
	2	2	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	.
			Teaching	.	6
			Farm labour	0	.
			.	.	.

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	O	F	F	126
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				

This record indicates that Ann Elizabeth or Bettie A. (Wright) Mitchell was born in August 1845. The absence of Stephen Mitchell from the household indicates that he had probably died before June 11, 1900.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Betty A. Wright was a daughter of James Wright and Judith E. (Mann) Wright, was born in 1845, and married Stephen Mitchell in 1875 and that Betty A. (Wright) Mitchell and Stephen Mitchell had the following child:

1) Sue (Mitchell) Collins.

vii. Edmonia J. Wright

Edmonia J. Wright was a daughter of 1849 James Wright of Essex County and Judith Edmonson (Mann) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1849 James[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Ettmonia Wright in the Judith Wright household on August 16, 1850, and her age as 2 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1848.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edmonia J. Wright in the Judith E. Wright household on August 11, 1860, and her age as 11 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edmonia J. Wright in the Judith Wright household on August 4, 1870, and her age as 21 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed E. J. Wright in the J. E. Wright household on June 1, 1880, her relationship as daughter, and her age as 30 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1850.

The will of Judith E. Wright dated in 1876 and probated on April 20, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 30/305, listed Edmonia J. Wright as one of her children:

> ". . . . 2nd I desire that my executor hereinafter named out of the personal property belonging to my estate shall give to my daughter Edmonia J Wright the sum of One hundred dollars, and to each of my children Edmonia J. James Robert and George M Wright one bedstead bed and necessary bed clothing which said special gifts are intended to put these names upon a footing with my daughter Bettie A Mitchell to whom I have already made advances 3rd After the payment of my debts and the special legacies in the clause next above given which said legacies or bequests in case there shall not be personal property belonging to my estate to satisfy, are hereby specially made a charge upon the land of which I may die seized, I desire the whole of the residue of my estate both real and personal shall be divided equally among my four children James Robert George M. Edmonia J and Bettie A Mitchell subject hower to the following restrictions and limitations. . . ."

On October 8, 1885, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 58/69 the court appointed commissioners divided the land of Judith E. Wright among her heirs, including her daughter Edmonia J. Wright:

> "To the Circuit Court of Essex County
>
> We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County by a decree rendered on the 22 day of September 1885, in the chancery cause of Mitchell vs: Wright to divide the real estate of which Mrs Judith E. Wright died seised and possessed, report to the court. That on the 8" day of October 1885, we met on the premises and after careful examination, partitioned the same as follows:

Lot No 1 50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements fronting on road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house

Lot No 2 Estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the North of road dividing farm,

Lot No 3 Estimated to contain 135 acres, being the South East portion of the said farm, the dividing line starting at a Honey pod tree also the corner to Nos 1 & 2 on said road, and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos. 3 & 4.

Lot No 4 Estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm, and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road

Lot No 1 was drawn by S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife, who was Bettie A. Wright

Lot No 2 was drawn by J. R Wright

Lot No 3 " " " Miss Edmonia J Wright

Lot No 4 " " " heirs of Geo. M. Wright.

Respectfully submitted.

G. H. Dillard)
Jno. W. Smith) Comrs.
A. R. Mion)

Virginia In the Circuit Court of Essex County June 25" 1895

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the report of Commissioners G. H. Dillard, John W. Smith and A. R. Micon, after being duly sworn, filed 26" December 1885, to which there are no exceptions and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the court doth confirm said report and doth decree that the partition of the said land into the said four lots in the said report be firm and stable, and doth further decree that lot no 1 containing 50 acres with the dwelling house and improvements fronting on the road 650 yards and running back in parallel lines parallel to the house drawn by

S. W. Mitchell in right of his wife who was Bettie A. Wright that lot No 2, estimated to contain 154 acres being the balance of the tract on the north of road dividing farm drawn by J R Wright, that lot No 3 estimated to contain 135 acres, being the southeast portion of the said farm the dividing line starting at a Honey pod tree also the corner to Nos 1 & 2 on said road and following the general direction of the present fence dividing Nos 3 & 4 drawn by Miss Edmonia J. Wright and lot No 4, estimated to contain 135 acres, being the S.W. portion of said farm and being the balance of the said farm on the south of said road drawn by heirs of Geo: M. Wright be and remain firm and stable and that a copy of this decree be certified to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex to be recorded and indexed as the law directs, and the objects of this suit having been accomplished, it is ordered to be sticken from the docket. It is ordered that the costs & expenses of this suit be apportioned and paid by the parties who have proportionally received the benefits as shown by commissioner's report of partition

A copy Teste
H. Southworth Clerk

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerk's Office July 8" 1895

This copy of partition, and the order confirming the same was this day received from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth Clerk."

On February 29, 1896, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 61/485 the court appointed commissioners divided the land of James Robert Wright, including Edmonia Wright:

"We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of Essex County to divide, allot and assign the land belonging to the estate of James Robert Wright dec'd, between the children of George M. Wright dec'd, namely: George M. Wright, Mary S. Wright, and Leich Wright and Betty N. Mitchell and Edmonia Wright in three equal parts to wit: to Edmonia Wright 1/3 one third, and allot and assign lot No. 1 including the dwelling house of the late James R. Wright dec'd to Edmonia Wright, Lot No. 2 to Betty N. Mitchell adjoining lot No. 1, and allot and assign lot No. 3 to the infant children of the said George M. Wright dec'd and adjoining lot No. 2, Lot No. 1 upon which the house stands to contain ten (10) acres less than each of the two other lots, lot No. 2 and No. 3. Lot No. 1 to run from the public road back in a North Westerly direction to the Poverty Hill farm and the other lots No. 2 & 3 to run parallel with lot No. 1 extending back in same direction. We would recommend that the farm of the late James R. Wright be surveyed a plat of same be made and lines be run

between the said lots of land. All of which is respectfully submitted, 29th February 1896.

G. H. Dillard)
G. M. Trible) Commissioners
Jno. M. Owen)

We had no plat of the farm or any writing by which we could ascertain the quantity of land the tract contained, none of the legatees had a plat, perhaps the report made in the original report of the division by R. R. Micon may show it. We were all sworn before entering upon the discharge of our duties.

G. H. Dillard

Virginia: In the Circuit Court of Essex County September 5" 1896.

Mitchell
against
Wright

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and the plat & report of the County Surveyor, W. D. Carter filed in the cause on the 20" day of May 1896 and was argued by counsel. Upon consideration whereof the court doth confirm the partition of the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned as shown by the report of special commissioners G. H. Dillard, G. M. Trible and John M. Owen filed in the cause on the 20" day of Feby. 1896, and the plat filed in the cause by the County Surveyor on the 20" day of May 1896 which report assigns to Edmonia Wright lot No. 1 as shown by said plat: to Bettie Mitchell Lot No. 2 as shown by said plat and to George M. Leich and Mary S. Wright infant children of George M. Wright deceased Lot No. 3 as shown by the said plat. And the court doth further adjudge order & decree that the parties entitled to the said lots pay the costs of this suit including the surveyors bill of Twenty one dollars; and each lot is hereby charged with a lien for one third of said costs, including the cost of survey; and should any of the costs remain unpaid at the next regular term of this court, the party or parties failing to comply with the order of this decree are summoned to appear and show cause why the court should not at that time appoint a special commissioner to rent out the land liable for costs for the payment of the same.

Virginia: In Essex County Court Clerks office January 22" 1904.

This copy of partition and the order confirming the same, was this day received from the clerk of the Circuit Court of said county and admitted to record.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edmonia Wright in the Bettie Mithel household on June 11, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		135	136	Bettie Mithel
				Mary Sue Mithel
				Windman Mithel
				Edmonia Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	F	Aug	1845	54	Wd
Daughter	W	F	Oct	1877	22	S
Son	W	M	Dec	1881	18	S
Sister	W	F	March	1851	49	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
	2	2	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	.
			Teaching	.	6
			Farm labour	0	.
			.	.	.

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	O	F	F	126
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				

This record indicates that Edmonia J. Wright was born in March 1851.

The 1910 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edmonia Wright in the Mary S. Mitchel household in April 1910:

Line Number	Location: Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
			69	69	Mary S Mitchel
					Edmonia Wright
					Ella Tompkins

Relationship	Personal Description						
				Whether		Mother of how many children	
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Number born	Number now living
Head	F	W	32	S			
Aunt	F	W	61	S			
Servant	F	B	12	S			

Nativity			Citizenship	
Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.				
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		

	Occupation		
Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Teacher	School	W
English	none	.	.
English	Servant	____ Family	W

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee.		Education		
Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Whether able to read	Whether able to write	Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
no	0	yes	yes	.
.	.	yes	yes	.
no	0	no	no	no

Ownership of Home				Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
Owned or Rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule			
O	F	F	64			

This record indicates that Edmonia J. Wright was born in about 1849.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Edmonia J. Wright was a daughter of James Wright and Judith E. (Mann) Wright and died without issue.

e. 1854 Richard Wright Of Jacksonville, Florida

1854 Richard Wright of Jacksonville, Florida, was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Richard Wright born 18th April 1804

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Richard Wright son of Thos Wright Sen & Mary his wife departed this life in Jacksonville Florida on the night of 4th Feby 1854

. . . .

Obituaries in the front cover of the Bible:

Died

In Jacksonville, Florida, on the night of the 4th inst., Richard Wright, a native and previous to his decease, resident of the estate of Poplar Grove, Essex County, Va., in the fiftieth year of his age.

The deceased visited Florida to experience the effects of its climate upon a constitution seriously impaired by ill health;

He was comforted in his last moments by the presence of his brother William Wright

Independent Order of Odd Fellows.
Florida Lodge No. 1
Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 10, 1854

The undersigned, a committee appointed to draft a preamble and resolutions, express of the feelings of this Lodge, upon the decease of brother Richard Wright, of Virginia, and at the date of his decease, holding membership in Garnett Lodge No. 97

. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

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Births

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Richard Wright 18 April 1804

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The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts Mules &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Richard Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.10

On April 3, 1829, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 42/605 George Wright conveyed to his brother Richard Wright his interest in 30 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 3rd day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, between George Wright of the County of Essex of the first part and Richard Wright of the same County of the second part; Whereas the said George Wright sometime during the month of May 1828 for the consideration of the regard and affection which he had for the said Richard Wright gave to him all the right title interest and claim which he the said George Wright has in and to a certain act or parcel of land conveyed by Gregory Dennett to John R Matthews by deed bearing date 19th November 1823 to secure the payment of certain sums of money thereon mentioned due to the said George Wright and John Paine and subsequently sold by the said John R Matthews and purchased by the said Wright & Paine and whereas the said Richard Wright has desired the said George Wright to make to him a good & sufficient title therefor. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said George Wright in consideration of the premises and the further consideration of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Richard before the signing & sealing of these presents, hath granted bargained sold, aliened released enfeoffed & confirmed unto the said Richard Wright his heirs and assigns all the right title claim and interest which he the said George Wright may have in & to the said land stated in said deed to contain thirty acres more or less, but since ascertained to contain upwards of Sixty acres the boundaries of which land are mentioned in the deed herein before referred to. To have & to hold the interest of the said George Wright in and to the said land & premises to the said Richard Wright his heirs & assigns & to and for their proper use & behoof & the said George Covenants to & with the said Richard Wright to protect & defend the right & title of the interest herein conveyed to the said Richard Wright against the claim or demand of the said George Wright his heirs and assigns but not against the claim or demand of

all & every person whatever. In Witness whereof the said George Wright hath hereunto set his hand & affixed his seal the day & year first herein written

Geo: Wright

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse and Tappahannock on the 20th day of April 1829 This Deed was this day produced in Court and acknowledged by George Wright to be his proper act and Deed and Ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
Wm B Matthews Clk"

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mares	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Richard Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.08

The 1830 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Wm A Webb

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land p acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
8 south	2.00		120.00	.10	Conveyed to you by George Wright

This record reflects the purchase in 1829 of 60 acres of land by Essex County Deed 42/605.

The will of Benjamin Wright dated on May 16, 1830, probated on November 15, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 22/163, listed Richard Wright as his brother:

> "It is my Wish when I die, that what Money or bonds I leave may be divided in the following manner I give to my Little sister Susan Wright five hundred dollars, to Charles H Wright one Hundred Dollars, to Edward G Wright one hundred dollars to Richd Wright my brother one hundred dollars, ..."

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses Mares, asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Richard Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.06

The 1831 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Wm A Webb

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
8 south	2.00		120.00	.10	

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household on February 2:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
Feby 2	Richard Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.06

The 1832 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Wm H Webb

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
8 south	2.00		120.00	.10	

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Richard Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.06

The 1833 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Wm H Webb

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents	Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
8 South	2.00		120.00	.10	

The 1834 through 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, did not list a Richard Wright.

The 1834 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	W A Webb

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on Account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
8 South	2.00		120.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
.10	

The 1835 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Wm A Webb

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
8 South	2.00		120.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of Eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.10	

The 1836 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Wm A Webb

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
8 Sth	2.00		120.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.10	

The 1837 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Wm A Webb

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
8 South	2.00		120.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
.10	

The 1838 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thos Marlon

Distance and bearing from the court House	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dollars Cents				
8 South	2.00		120.00	.12	

The 1839 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thomas Marlon

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls cents				
8 South	2.00		120.00	.12	

The 1840 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description & Situation of the Land
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thomas Martor

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls cts	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	of Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax whole tract of on the Land at the legal rate
8 South	2.50		150.00	.15

Amount of tax whole tract of on the Land at the legal rate	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
.15	

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	Richard Wright	1		1

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Carriages, whether four Wheel or two wheel riding Carriages, phaetons, Stage wagons, Carryalls and Jersey wagons, and all Others with the value thereof including Harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
		.12½

The 1841 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thomas Marlor

Distance and bearing from the Court house		Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax on the Land at the legal rate
8 South	2.50		150.00	.15

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	Richard Wright	1		

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Forte Pianoes Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
1						

Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.12½

The 1842 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thomas Marlor

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of __ Land per Acre Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land ____count	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
8 South	2.50		50.00	.15

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
	Richard Wright	1	1	

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks
1					

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
		.60

The 1843 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thomas Marlor

Distance and bearing from the Court house	__ Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value
8 South	2.50		150.00	

Amount of tax on the whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.23	

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household on May 29:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
May 29	Richard Wright	1		1

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and value	Gold Watches	____
					.12½

The 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Resi-dence	Estate whe-ther held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Lands as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contigu-ous tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thos Marlor

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
8 South	2.50		150.00

Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.19	

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Richard Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.10

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thomas Marlor

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
8 South	2.50		150.00	.15

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Richard Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.10

The 1846 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thomas Marlor

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
8 South	2.50		150.00	.15

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Richard Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.10

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thos. Marlow

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
8 S	2.50		150.00	.15

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
Richd Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.10

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	fee	60	Thomas Marlow

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
8 South	2.50		150.00	.15

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Richard Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.10

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	Fee	60	Thomas Marlor

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
8 S	2.50		150.00	.15

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Richard Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			.10

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Richard Wright	Essex	Fee	60	Thomas Marlow

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
8 S	2.50		150.00	.15

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

On May 27, 1850, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/12 Richard Wright purchased from his brother George Wright the interest of William Wright in the estates of Thomas Wright and Susan Matilda Wright that had been purchased at an insolvent debtor's sale:

> "This Deed made this 27 May 1850 between George Wright of Essex County of the first part, and Richard Wright of the same County of the second part, Witnesseth that the said George Wright for and in consideration of twelve hundred and twenty dollars to him paid by said Richard Wright which he hereby

acknowledges to have received doth hereby grant bargain and sell unto the said Richard Wright all such right title and interest as was acquired by him by virtue of his purchase of the Sheriff of Essex County of the following estate embraced in the Schedule of William Wright by virtue of his taking the oath of an Insolvent debtor on the 7th September 1842 "to wit" all the right title and interest of the said William Wright both real and personal under the Will of his deceased father Thomas Wright and all the right title and interest which he the said William Wright was entitled to in the Estate of his deceased sister Matilda alias Susan Matilda Wright except any interest which the said Susan matilda may be entitled to under the Will of her brother Benjamin Wright decd together with any interest which said William Wright was entitled to in a portion of the negroes held by Thomas Wright decd in right of his wife Mary Wright decd under the Will of Thomas Pitts decd the several interests having been conveyed to said George Wright by Larkin Noel DS for James M Garnett Sheriff of Essex County by deed bearing date the 27th January 1843 and admitted to record in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Essex on the 19th October 1843 - To have and to hold the said several interests with the exception aforesaid to the said Richard Wright his heirs and assigns. And the said George Wright doth hereby covenant to and with the said Richard Wright his heirs and assigns to protect and defend such title as is vested in him by and under the deed executed to him by said Larkin Noel DS for said James W Garnett Sheriff as aforesaid and such only against him the said George Wright and all persons claiming under him, but against do other person - Witness the hand and seal of said George Wright the day and year aforesaid

Geo. Wright

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of June 1850

This Deed was this day acknowledged in Court by George Wright to be his act and deed and Ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1850 September 16th Recd the Original Deed recorded opposite

Richard Wright"

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Richard Wright in the Mary Wright household on November 21, 1850, his age as 45 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1805, and his occupation as manager.

On May 19, 1851, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/138 Richard Wright purchased from Edward L. Wright and Austin M. Trible, as trustees, their interest in the estates of Thomas Wright and Susan M. Wright:

> "This Deed made this 19th day of May 1851, between Edwd L Wright and Austin M Trible Trustees and Richard Wright: Witnesseth that in consideration of the premises and also for the consideration of Twenty four Hundred Dollars the said Edwd L Wright and Austin M Trible do grant unto the said Richard Wright all of the interest conveyed by James Wright to the said Edwd. L Wright, and Austin M Trible Trustees as aforesaid in the estate of his father Thomas Wright decd, And also all the interest of the said James Wright in the est of Susan M Wright who died intestate and without issue also any interest the said James Wright may have possessed in any of the negroes held by the said Thomas Wright at the time of his death, under the Will of the Grandfather of the said James Wright
>
> Edwd L Wright
> Austin M Trible
> Trustees
>
> Essex County Court Clerk's Office May 19" 1851 -
>
> This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in the said Office by Edward L Wright and Austin M Trible to be their act and deed and admitted to Record as to them
>
> Teste
> Benjn P. Wright DC for
> James Roy Micon Clk"

On May 29, 1851, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/153 Richard Wright sold his interest in the estates of Thomas Wright and Susan M. Wright to Edward L. Wright:

> "This Deed made the 29th day of May 1851 between Richard Wright and Edward L Wright - Witnesseth that in Consideration of the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars the said Richard Wright doth grant unto the said Edward L Wright one half of all the right title and interest of the said Richard Wright in and to the interest of James Wright decd in the Est: of his father Thomas Wright decd - also one half of the interest of the said James Wright in the Est of Susan M Wright decd who died intestate and without issue - also one half of the interest of the said James Wright in any portion of the negroes held by the said James Wright at the time of his death under the Will of the Grandfather of the said James Wright, which said several interests were purchased by the said Richard Wright on the 21 April last, and sold by the sd Edward L Wright and Austin Trible Trustees under a decree of the Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery for Essex County, pronounced on the 15 November 1850

Witness the following seal and signature.

The words "one half of") Richard Wright
interlined before signed)

Essex County Court Clerk's Office July 21st 1851

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by Richard Wright to be his act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On November 12, 1851, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/195 William Wright conveyed to Richard Wright a balance due from the estate of Richard L. Crow:

"This Deed made the 12 day of November in the year of 1851, between between William Wright and Richard Wright - Witnesseth that whereas there is a balance of One Hundred and ten Dollars and ninety one Cents due William Wright the admor of Richard L Crow decd bearing interest from the 1st day of October 1842, as will appear by reference to the records of the County Court of Essex, which said sum and interest thereon the said William Wright doth assign to the said Richard Wright as follows. Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Eighty Dollars to the said William Wright in hand paid by the said Richard Wright the said William Wright doth grant, unto the said Richard Wright all his claim on said estate of Richard L Crow decd of whatever character it may Consist - Witness the following signature & seal

Wm Wright

Essex County Court Clerk's Office Novemr 12th 1851

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the said Office by William Wright to be his act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On January 23, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/499 Richard Wright purchased from Leonard Henley, as trustee, 282 acres of land:

"This Deed made this 23rd day of January 1854 between Leonard Henley (Trustee in a Certain deed of trust executed on the 1st day of February 1850 by one Mary M Crow and duly recorded in the Clerks Office of Said County on the 4th day of February 1850) of the one part and Richard Wright of the other part all

of the County of Essex, Witnesseth that the Said Leonard Henley trustee as aforesaid hath granted bargained and Sold to the Said Richard Wright for and in Consideration of the Sum of eleven hundred and twenty five dollars, a certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex adjoining the lands of Vincent Ramsey and others, and Containing Two hundred and eighty two acres be the same more or less The title whereof the said Leonard Henley will forever warrant and defend against the claim or claims of all and every person claiming by through or under him but not against the claim or claims of any other person or persons whomsoever In Testimony whereof the Said Leonard Henley Trustee as aforesaid has hereunto set his hand and Seal the day and year first herein written

Leonard Henley Trustee

Essex County Court Clerks Office February 4th 1854

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said office aforesaid by Leonard Henley to be his act and deed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Richard Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1804, and died in 1854.

f. 1836 Robert Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Martha Ann (Waring) Wright, And His Descendants

1836 Robert Wright of Essex County was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
Marriages
. . . .
Ro. Wright and Martha A. Waring were married on Wednesday the 11th Dec. 1828
. . . .

Births
. . . .
Robert Wright born 2_th May 1806 William Wright born 23 ____
. . . .

Deaths
. . . .
Robert Wright son of the same departed this life the 29th July 1836 age 30 years
. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
. . . .
Births
. . . .
Robert Wright 27 May 1806
. . . .

Deaths
. . . .
Robert Wright 31 July 1836
. . . ."

The 1828 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Robert Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.12

The marriage record of Robert Wright and Martha Ann Waring was dated on December 8, 1828, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Know All Men By These Presents, That We Robert Wright and Reuben L Pitts are held and firmly bound unto his excellency Wm B Giles Esq Governor or Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the just and full sum of one hundred and fifty dollars; to which payment well and truly to be made to the said Governor and his successors, for the use of the said Commonwealth, we bind ourselves our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, Sealed with our seals and dated this 8th day of December 1828.

The Condition of the above obligation is such, That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage intended to be had and solemnized between the above bound Robert Wright (Bachelor) and Miss Martha Ann Waring (daughter of Wm L. Waring) then the above obligation to be void; else to remain in full force and virtue,

Executed in pesence of Ro. Wright
Zach N Crittendon R. L. Pitts

____ Sc.

____ this day appeared before me ____ Clerk of said ____ and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty Good, that the within named ____ is above the age of twenty-one years, and resident of said ____ Given under my hand this __ day of ____ 182_"

The 1829 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Mares Colts Mules &c	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Robert Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $60 value	.70

The 1830 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 Years old	Number of Horses Asses Mares Colts & Mares	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Robert Wright	3	1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $100	2.13

The 1830 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Robert Wright	1	20-30	1	15-20
			1	0-5

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
1	10-24	1	24-36				
		2	0-10				

Total	White Persons included in the foregoing: Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
7					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing			
Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

This record indicates that Robert Wright was born between 1800 and 1810 and that Martha Ann (Waring) Wright was born between 1810 and 1815.

The will of Benjamin Wright dated on May 16, 1830, probated on November 15, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 22/163, listed Robert Wright as a beneficiary:

> "It is my Wish when I die, that what Money or bonds I leave may be divided in the following manner I give to my Little sister Susan Wright five hundred dollars, to Charles H Wright one Hundred Dollars, to Edward G Wright one hundred dollars to Richd Wright my brother one hundred dollars, to James Wright's little son Thos. A Wright I give one hundred dollars, I give to Robt Wright, little daughter fifty dollars, also to Robt. all my Household and kitchen furniture . . . ."

The 1831 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses Mares, asses Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Robert Wright	3	1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	1.31

On May 2, 1831, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 43/383 Robert Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Sale and Sarah Davis to secure a debt due to Richard L. Covington.

The 1832 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household on February 2:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
Feby 2	Robert Wright	3	1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	1.31

On June 1, 1832, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 43/590 Robert Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Travis Brizendine to secure a debt due to Edward M. Ware.

The 1833 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Dollars Cents
	Robert Wright	7	1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $100	2.81

The 1834 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts &c	Stud Horses Number	Dollars Cents
	Robert Wright	6	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
1 Gig $50	2.18	

On March 1, 1835, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/4 Robert Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by John P. Shackleford to secure a debt due to Robert M. Davis and William Wright, merchants.

The 1835 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	No. of Horses Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Robert Wright	2	1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
1 Gig $50	2.12	

On June 3, 1835, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 45/1 Robert Wright acted as trustee on a deed of trust executed by Lettice S. Smith, Lettice Meriwether Smith, and Francis G. W. Smith to secure various debts due to Edward M. Ware and Dunn & Harwood.

On June 15, 1835, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 44/529 Robert Wright purchased from Walter G. Covington 11 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 15" day of June 1835 between Walter G Covington of the one part and Robert Wright of the other both of the County of Essex. Witnesseth that the said Walter G Covington in consideration of the sum of Twenty seven dollars to him in hand paid by the said Robert Wright before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged has bargained and sold and by these presents doth bargain and sell unto the said Robert Wright his heirs and assigns a certain Tract or parcel of land together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging lying in the County aforesaid bounded by the lands belonging to the estate of Samuel Brooks decd the land sold by said Covington to Willis Brooks and the land at present occupied by said Wright and Containing by actual survey eleven Acres

and twenty poles. To have and to hold the said Tract of land with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Robert Wright his heirs and assigns forever to and for the only proper use and behoof of him the said Robert Wright his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Walter G. Covington for himself and his heirs the said tract of land together with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Robert Wright his heirs and assigns free from the claim or claims of him the said Walter G Covington his heirs and of all and every person or persons whatsoever shall will and doth warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof the said Walter G Covington has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Walter G Covington

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17" day of August 1835. This deed was acknowledged in open Court by Walter G Covington to be his act and deed and Ordered to be recorded

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Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household:

	Robert Wright	7	3		

1 Gig $40	2.43

The 1836 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Resi-dence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Robert Wright	Essex	fee	11	Est Saml Brooks

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 South	3.00		33.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of eight Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.03	Conveyed to you by Walter G Covington

This record reflects the purchase in 1835 of 11 acres of land by Essex County Deed 44/259.

The 1837 and later Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, did not list Robert Wright, reflecting his death in 1836, but the 1837 List for Essex County, Virginia, did list Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Martha A Wright	3	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	1.43

The 1837 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether in fee Simple for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Robert Wright Est	Essex	fee	11	Est Saml Brooks

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls Cents	Sum added on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 South	3.00		33.00

Amount of Tax at the rate of 8 Cents for every $100 value Dolls Cents	Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year
.03	

This record reflects the death of Robert Wright in 1836.

The 1838 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Martha A Wright	5	3		
Riding					
1 Gig $50		2.__			

The 1838 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Robert Wright Est	Essex	fee	11	Willis Brooks

Distance and bearing from the court House	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dollars Cents			
9 South	3.00	33.00	.04	

The 1839 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
	Martha A Wright	4	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	1.94

The 1839 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate	Number of Acres	Description of Land
Robert Wright Estate	Essex	fee	11	Willis Brooks

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including Buildings Dolls cents				
9 South	3.00		33.00	.04	

The 1840 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules and Colts	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
Martha A Wright	1	1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	.88

The 1840 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of Acres	Description & Situation of the Land
Robert Wright Est	Essex	fee	11	Willis Brooks

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of land per acre including buildings Dolls cts	Sum added to the land on account of Buildings Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax whole tract of on the Land at the legal rate
9 South	4.00		44.00	.05

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1840 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Martha A Wright	2	20-30	1	20-30
	1	5-10	1	10-15
			1	5-10
			1	0-5

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				1	24-36	1	55-100
				2	10-24	6	10-24
				1	0-10	2	0-10

Number of Persons in each Family Employed in						
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
59		15		5		

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revol-utionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
			Deaf and Dumb		Blind
	Names	Ages	No.	Ages	
1					

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Univer-sities or College	Number of Students	Academies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that Martha Ann (Waring) Wright was born between 1810 and 1820.

Martha A. Wright was not found on the 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia.

The 1841 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Robert Wright Est	Essex	fee	11	Wm R. G. Trible

Distance and bearing from the Court house		Sum added to the land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings Dolls cts	Amount of tax on the Land at the legal rate
9 South	4.00		44.00	.05

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

The 1842 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	Martha Wright		1	5

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Forte Pianoes Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
3			1			

Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness		Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig	$60	6.90
1 Coachee	$450	

The 1842 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Robert Wright Est	Essex	fee	11	Wm R. G. Trible

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	Sum added to the Land count	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
9 South	4.00		44.00	.06

Explanation of Alterations during the preceding year

Devised to you by William L Waring decd

This record reflects an inheritance by Martha Ann (Waring) Wright from her father William L. Waring.

The 1843 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
	Mrs. Martha A Wright	5	2	

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks
3			1		1

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents
			1	20.00		

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Coachee $174	7.25

The 1843 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Robert Wright Est	Essex	fee	11	Wm R G Trible

Distance and bearing from the Court house	__ Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value
9 South	4.00		44.00	.08

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year

The 1843 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Martha A. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land, as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Martha A. Wright	Essex	fee	500	R L Covington

Distance and bearing from the Court house	__ Land per Acre	Sum added to the Land on account of Buildings	Total value of the Land and Buildings	Amount of tax whole tract at 15 Cents for every $100 Value
9 South	4.00	500	2000.00	3.00

Explanation of alterations during the preceding year

The 1844 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household on May 29:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
May 29	Martha A Wright		7	3

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carriages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carriages and value	Gold Watches	____
1 $170			1 $20		1
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
					6.72½

The 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Lands as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Robert Wright Est	Essex	fee	11	Wm R G Trible

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 do	4.00		44.00

Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.06	

The 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Martha A. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Lands as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Martha A. Wright	Essex	fee	500	R L Covington

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
9 South	4.00	500	2000.00

Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
2.50	

The 1845 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Martha A Wright		4		3

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $150				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				4.08

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Robert Wrights Est	Essex	fee	11	Wm R G Trible

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 South	4.00		44.00	.05

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred _____

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Martha A. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Martha A. Wright	Essex	fee	500	Richd L Covington

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 South	4.00	500	2000.00	2.00

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred _____

The 1846 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Mrs Martha A Wright		4		3

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $100				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				3.33

The 1846 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Robert Wright Estate	Essex	fee	11	Wm R G Trible

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 South	4.00		44.00	.05

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

The 1847 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Martha A Wright		4	1	2

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches
$100				

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				3.55

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
Robert Wright Est	Essex	fee	11	Wm R G Trible

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
9 S	4.00		44.00	.05

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Martha A. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
Martha A Wright	Essex	fee	500	Richd L Covington

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
_ E	4.00	500.00	2000.00	2.00

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1848 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
Martha A Wright		4	1	1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $50			1 $111	

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				2.91

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
Robert Wright Est	Essex	fee	11	Wm R G Trible

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
9 south	4.00		44.00	.05

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Martha A. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
Martha A Wright	Essex	fee	500	Richard L Covington

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
9 South	4.00	500.00	2000.00	2.00

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1849 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Martha A Wright	1	4	1	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
			$5	

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
	1				

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				2.13

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Robert Wrights Est	Essex	Fee	11	Wm R G Trible

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
9 S	4.00		44.00	.04

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Martha A. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Martha A Wright	Essex	Fee	500	Richd L Covington

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
9 S	4.00	500.00	2000.00	2.00

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Personal Property Tax Lists for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Martha A. Wright		5		2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $50			1 $5	

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state or corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			2.87½

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Robert Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Robert Wrights Est	Essex	Fee	11	Wm R G Trible

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 S	4.00		44.00	.04

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Martha A. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Martha A Wright	Essex	Fee	500	R L Covington

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
9 S	4.00	500.00	2000.00	2.00

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha Wright with the following household on September 10, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Martha Wright	39	F			3000
Mary Wright	16	F			
Catharine Wright	14	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia				
Virginia		1		
Virginia		1		

This record indicates that Martha Ann (Waring) Wright was born in about 1811.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha A. Wright in the William F. Smith household on August 11, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Wm F Smith	50	M			25000
Betty F Smith	31	F			.
Mary E Smith	13	F			.
Robert W Smith	11	M			.
J William Smith	7	M			.
C Saml Smith	3	M			.
Martha C Smith	2/12	F			.
Martha A Wright	48	F			5000
Cath M Wright	22	F			.

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
51775	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
13060	Virginia				
2125	Virginia				

This record indicates that Martha Ann (Waring) Wright was born in about 1812.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Martha Wright in the William F. Smith household on August 5, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
William F Smith	60	M	W	Farmer	15,000
Bettie L Smith	39	F	W	Keeping House	.
Robert Smith	20	M	W	Attending School	.
John Smith	17	M	W	Attending School	.
Samuel Smith	13	M	W	Attending School	.
Kate Smith	10	F	W	Attending School	.
Benjamin S Smith	8	M	W	at Home	.
Bettie Smith	3	F	W	at Home	.
Lula Smith	1/12	F	W	at Home	.
Martha Wright	60	F	W	Without Occupation	3,000
Ila Wright	1	F	W	at Home	.
Francis Lewis	21	F	B	Domestic Servant	.

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1860	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	1	
	Virginia		.	1	
	Virginia		.	1	
	Virginia		.	1	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		May	.	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	.	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

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This record indicates that Martha Ann (Waring) Wright was born in about 1810.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed M. A. Wright in the W. F. Smith household on June 1, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
W. F. Smith	W	M	70		.
M. C Smith	W	F	20		Daughter
B S Smith	W	M	18		Son
Bettie Smith	W	F	13		Daughter
Lula Smith	W	F	9		Daughter
Ila Wright	W	F	11		Grand child
M. A Wright	W	F	69		Mother in law
M. S Hosskins	W	F	20		Boarder
Herman Bagby	Mu	F	40		Servant
Wm Green	B	M	20		Servant
Ottoway ____	B	M	18		Servant
Albert Johnson	B	M	25		Servant
Chase Bagby	B	M	12		Servant
Jno R Wheeler	B	M	13		Servant

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unem-ployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
W		Farmer		
S		At home		
S		At home		
S		At home		
.		At home		
.		At home		
.		keeping house		
W		Teacher		
S		Cook		
S		Laborer		
S		Laborer		
M		Laborer		
.		Laborer		
S		Laborer		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
.	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
.	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
1	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
1	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
1	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
1	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
.	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
.	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that Martha Ann (Waring) Wright was born in about 1811.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Robert Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1805, married Martha Ann Waring on December 11, 1828, and died in 1836 and that Robert Wright and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright had the following children:

1) Betty S. (Wright) Smith, born in 1829,

2) Benjamin P. Wright, born in 1831,

3) Mary Lunsford (Wright) Dabney, born in 1834, and

4) Catherine Amtilda Wright, born in 1836.

My Virginia Connections by Harriet Hook stated that Martha Anne Waring was a daughter of William Lowry Waring and Elizabeth Chilton (Hudnall) Waring and that:

> "a. Martha Anne Waring, b. Nov. 8, 1810, at Tuscarora, d. 1881, m. Robert Wright, b. 1805, d. 1836. Children: Catherine Mathilda, Benjamin Pitts, Betty S., Elizabeth, Robert, Mary Lunsford."

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Robert Wright and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright were the following:

1) Elizabeth L. "Betty" (Wright) Smith, born in about 1829 in Virginia,

2) Benjamin Pitts Wright, born in November 1831 in Virginia,

3) Mary Lunsford (Wright) (Dabney) Wright, born on February 27, 1834, in Essex County, Virginia, and

4) Catherine Amtilda or Matilda Wright, born in about 1836 or 1838 in Virginia.

i. Elizabeth L. "Betty" (Wright) Smith, Her Husband William F. Smith, And Her Descendants

Elizabeth L. "Betty" (Wright) Smith was a daughter of 1836 Robert Wright of Essex County and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1836 Robert[4])

The will of Benjamin Wright dated on May 16, 1830, probated on November 15, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 22/163, listed Robert Wright's daughter as a beneficiary:

> "It is my Wish when I die, that what Money or bonds I leave may be divided in the following manner I give to my Little sister Susan Wright five hundred dollars, to Charles H Wright one Hundred Dollars, to Edward G Wright one hundred dollars to Richd Wright my brother one hundred dollars, to James Wright's little son Thos. A Wright I give one hundred dollars, I give to Robt Wright, little daughter fifty dollars, also to Robt. all my Household and kitchen furniture . . . ."

This record indicates that Elizabeth L. Wright was born before May 16, 1830.

The marriage record of Elizabeth L. Wright and William F. Smith was dated on December 22, 1846, at Essex County, Virginia:

> "Know all Men by these Presents - That we William F Smith and Charles C Smith are held and firmly bound unto Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.
>
> Witness our hands and seals, the 22nd day of December 1846.
>
> The Condition of the above Obligation is such - That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the

said William F Smith and Miss Elizabeth L Wright then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Executed in the presence of Wm F. Smith
James Roy Micon Clk Chas C. Smith

Clerk's Office of ____ County Court, ____ day of ____ 18_.

Personally appeared before me, in my Office, ____ and made oath, that the above named ____ and ____ are, each, above the age of 21 years, and that the said ____ usually resides in said county."

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Smith with the following household on August 6, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
William Smith	40	M		Farmer	10000
Elizabeth Smith	20	F			
Mary Smith	3	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that Elizabeth L. (Wright) Smith was born in about 1830 and that William F. Smith was born in about 1810.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed William F. Smith with the following household on August 11, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Wm F Smith	50	M			25000
Betty F Smith	31	F			.
Mary E Smith	13	F			.
Robert W Smith	11	M			.
J William Smith	7	M			.
C Saml Smith	3	M			.
Martha C Smith	2/12	F			.
Martha A Wright	48	F			5000
Cath M Wright	22	F			.

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
51775	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
.	Virginia				
13060	Virginia				
2125	Virginia				

This record indicates that Elizabeth F. (Wright) Smith was born in about 1829 and that William F. Smith was born in about 1810.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed William F. Smith with the following household on August 5, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
William F Smith	60	M	W	Farmer	15,000
Bettie L Smith	39	F	W	Keeping House	.
Robert Smith	20	M	W	Attending School	.
John Smith	17	M	W	Attending School	.
Samuel Smith	13	M	W	Attending School	.
Kate Smith	10	F	W	Attending School	.
Benjamin S Smith	8	M	W	at Home	.
Bettie Smith	3	F	W	at Home	.
Lula Smith	1/12	F	W	at Home	.
Martha Wright	60	F	W	Without Occupation	3,000
Ila Wright	1	F	W	at Home	.
Francis Lewis	21	F	B	Domestic Servant	.

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1860	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	1	
	Virginia		.	1	
	Virginia		.	1	
	Virginia		.	1	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		May	.	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	.	
	Virginia		.	.	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

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This record indicates that Elizabeth A. or S. (Wright) Smith was born in about 1831 and that William F. Smith was born in about 1810.

The marriage record of Robert W. Smith and Annie E. Dillard dated February 5, 1873, at Essex County, Virginia, listed his parents as William F. Smith and Bettie L. (Wright) Smith.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed W. F. Smith with the following household on June 1, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
W. F. Smith	W	M	70		.
M. C Smith	W	F	20		Daughter
B S Smith	W	M	18		Son
Bettie Smith	W	F	13		Daughter
Lula Smith	W	F	9		Daughter
Ila Wright	W	F	11		Grand child
M. A Wright	W	F	69		Mother in law
M. S Hosskins	W	F	20		Boarder
Herman Bagby	Mu	F	40		Servant
Wm Green	B	M	20		Servant
Ottoway ____	B	M	18		Servant
Albert Johnson	B	M	25		Servant
Chase Bagby	B	M	12		Servant
Jno R Wheeler	B	M	13		Servant

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
W		Farmer		
S		At home		
S		At home		
S		At home		
.		At home		
.		At home		
.		keeping house		
W		Teacher		
S		Cook		
S		Laborer		
S		Laborer		
M		Laborer		
.		Laborer		
S		Laborer		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
.	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
.	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
1	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
1	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
1	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
1	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
.	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
.	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va
.	.	.	Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that William F. Smith was born in about 1810. The absence of Ann Elizabeth or Bettie L. (Wright) Smith from the household indicates that she probably died before June 1, 1880.

The marriage record of Martha C. Smith and J. W. Dillard dated June 1, 1880, at Essex County, Virginia, listed her parents as William F. Smith and Bettie (Wright) Smith.

The marriage record of Bettie L. Smith and Dr. W. B. Robinson dated June 14, 1887, at Essex County, Virginia, listed her parents as William F. Smith and Bettie L. Wright.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Betty S. Wright was a daughter of 1836 Robert Wright and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright, was born in 1829 and married William F. Smith.

ii. 1907 Benjamin Pitts Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Mary Jane (Wright) Wright, And His Descendants

1907 Benjamin Pitts Wright of Essex County was a son of 1836 Robert Wright of Essex County and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1836 Robert[4])

This couple has been discussed above in connection with the descendants of 1878 Edward Wright of Essex County and the reader is referred to that section for information about this couple.

iii. Mary Lunsford (Wright) (Dabney) Wright, Her Husbands Thomas J. Dabney And 1897 William G. Wright Of King & Queen County, And Her Descendants

Mary Lunsford (Wright) (Dabney) Wright was a daughter of 1836 Robert Wright of Essex County and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1836 Robert[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary Wright in the Martha Wright household on September 10, 1850, and her age as 16 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1834.

The 1850 Census for King &Queen County, Virginia, listed William Wright in the Catharine Wright household on August 23, 1850, his age as 29 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1821, and his occupation as manager.

The marriage record of Mary Lunsford Wright and Thomas J. Dabney was dated on August 30, 1853, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Date: August 30, 1853
Husband: Thomas J. Dabney
Wife: Mary Lunsford Wright
Age of Husband: 28
Age of Wife: 20
Status of Husband: Single
Status of Wife: Single
Birthplace of Husband: King William County, Virginia
Birthplace of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Residence of Husband: King William County, Virginia
Residence of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Parents of Husband:
Parents of Wife: Robert Wright and Martha Ann Waring
Occupation of Husband: Farmer"

Marriage Notices From Richmond, Virginia Newspapers, 1841-1853 listed the marriage notice for Mary L. Wright and Thomas J. Dabney on August 30, 1853:

"Married on the 30th of Aug. [Aug. 30, 1853], by the Rev. Peter Ainslee, Thomas J. Dabney, Esq., of King William, and Miss Mary L. Wright, of Essex. RE, Sep. 16, 1853, p. 1"

The marriage record of Mary Lunsford Dabney and William G. Wright was dated on November 21, 1857, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Date: Nov 21, 1857
Place: Essex Co.
Husb's Name: Wm G. Wright
Wife's Name: Mary Lunsford Dabney
Husb's Age: 35
Wife's Age: 23
Husb's Cond: Single
Wife's Cond: Widow
Husb Born: King & Queen Co.
Wife Born: Essex Co.
Husb's Res:
Wife's Res:
Husb's Parents: William Wright & Catharine Garnett
Wife's Parents: Robert Wright & Martha A. Waring
Husb's Occupation: Farmer
Minister: Peter Ainslie"

This record indicates that Thomas J. Dabney had died before November 21, 1857.

The 1860 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Wm. G. Wright with the following household on July 10, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Wm G Wright	40	M		Farmer	8000
Mary L. Wright	24	F			
Wm L. Wright	1	F			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
16271	Va				
	Va				
	Va				

This record indicates that William G. Wright was born in about 1820 and that Mary Lunsford (Wright) (Dabney) Wright was born in about 1836.

The will of Virginia Wright dated September 10, 1860, and probated on February 4, 1864, at King & Queen County, Virginia, W.B. 2B/19 listed William G. Wright as her brother:

> "In the name of God . . . . do make this my last will and testament First I lend to my niece Catharine Sheppard Wright the following negroes Herter Martha, Mahaly, Delphy and her her children Elton and Charles to go in the possession of a trustee hereafter named but in the event she dies without issure the portion allotted her must be equally divided between Moore B Wright son of my brother John R Wright and William L Wright son of my brother William G Wright. . . . . I now appoint my brother William G Wright trustee for my niece Catharine S Wright and the property left her must be under his control till she marries or comes of age. I also appoint my brother William G Wright my executor to carry this my last will and testament into effect.
> . . . ."

The 1870 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed William G. Wright with the following household on July 18, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
William G Wright	50	M	W	Dry Goods & Grocery Merchant	4000
Mary L Wright	36	F	W	Keeping house	
William L Wright	11	M	W	Attending School	
Mary B Wright	9	F	W		
Lelia Wright	7	F	W		
Martha Wright	5	F	W		
Robert M Wright	3	M	W		
John J Wright	1	M	W		
Ellen Henry	45	F	B		
Charles Henry	7	M	B		
Julia A Henry	16	F	B		

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
2500	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			1	.
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Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Mary Lunsford (Wright) (Dabney) Wright was born in about 1834 and that William G. Wright was born in about 1820.

The 1880 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed William G. Wright with the following household on June 9, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Wm G Wright	W	M	60		.
Mary L Wright	W	F	46		wife
Willie L Wright	W	M	21		Child
Mollie B Wright	W	F	18		Child
Lelia W Wright	W	F	17		Child
Mattie L Wright	W	F	15		Child
Robert M Wright	W	M	12		Child
Julian Wright	W	M	10		Child
Benj S Wright	W	M	7		Child
Louisa Waller	B	F	20		.
Cornelius Hampton	B	M	17		.
Lawrence Campbell	B	M	27		.
Margarett Campbell	.	F	24		.
Ellis Prince	W	M	28		.
Margarett Prince	W	F	22		wife
Elvira Prince	W	F	2		child

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unem-ployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Merchant		.
M		House Keeper		Consumption
S		Merchant		.
S		At Home		.
S		At Home		.
S		At Home		.
.		At Home		.
.		At Home		.
.		.		.
S		Cook		.
S		House Hand		.
M		Farmer		.
M		House Keeper		.
M		Farmer		.
M		House Keeper		.
.		.		.

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
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.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

This record indicates that William Garrett Wright was born in about 1820 and that Mary Lunsford (Wright) (Dabney) Wright was born in about 1834 and was suffering from consumption, which led to her death in September of that year.

Virginia Deaths and Burials, 1853-1912 listed the death of Mary L. Wright on November 11, 1880, in King & Queen County, Virginia:

"Name:	Mary L. Wright
Gender:	Female
Burial Date:	
Burial Place:	
Death Date:	11 Nov 1880
Death Place:	King & Queen, Virginia
Age:	46
Birth Date:	1834
Birthplace:	King & Queen
Occupation:	Seamstress
Race:	White
Marital Status:	Married
Spouse's Name:	Wm. G. Wright
Father's Name:	Robt. Wright
Father's Birthplace:	
Mother's Name:	Martha Wright
Mother's Birthplace:	
Indexing Project (Batch) Number:	B06978-6

System Origin:	Virginia-EASY
Source Film Number:	2048575
Reference Number:	it3,342, LN144"

Tidewater Virginia Families, Volume 1, Number 2, listed the following graves in the Mattaponi Baptist Church and Cemetery, King and Queen County, Virginia:

"In group:

W G Wright born in King and Queen Co Va Dec 28, 1819 Died Dec 7, 1897	Mary L Wright wife of Wm G Wright Born in Essex Co February 27, 1834 Died September 16, 1880

B S Wright
Born May 20, 1872
Died Oct 9, 1908"

In her email dated April 5, 2002, Harriet Hook stated that the Mattaponi Church Cemetery tombstones should read William Garrett Wright and Mary Lunsford Wright.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary Lunsford Wright was a daughter of 1836 Robert Wright and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright, was born in 1834, married first Thomas J. Dabney in 1853, and married second William G. Wright.

In her letter dated April 2, 2002, Harriet Hook enclosed an annotated excerpt from Charles Roane The Immigrant which stated that Benjamin Stanley Wright was born on May 20, 1872, at Cumnor, King & Queen County, Virginia.

My Virginia Connections by Harriet Hook stated that Benjamin Stanley Wright was a son of William G. Wright and Mary Ellen Wright and was born on May 20, 1872.

iv. Catherine Amtilda Or Mathilda Wright

Catherine Amtilda or Mathilda Wright was a daughter of 1836 Robert Wright of Essex County and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1836 Robert[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Catharine Wright in the Martha Wright household on September 10, 1850, and her age as 14 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1836.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Cath. M. Wright in the William F. Smith household on August 11, 1860, her age as 22 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1838, and that she owned $2,125 of personal property.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Catherine Amtilda Wright was a daughter of 1836 Robert Wright and Martha Ann (Waring) Wright and was born in 1836.

g. 1808 Henry Wright

1808 Henry Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Henry Wright 25 Sepr. 1808

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Henry Wright the son of Thomas Wright Senr 24th Jany 1808

. . . ."

h. William Wright

William Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of

Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
. . . .

Births
. . . .
William Wright
. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
. . . .

Births
. . . .
William Wright 22nd Jany 1810
. . . .

Deaths
. . . ."

The will of Benjamin Wright dated on May 16, 1830, probated on November 15, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 22/163, listed William Wright as brother:

". . . . I also leave Wm Wright my Exor: and my Horse, I wish the balance of the money to be applied to the payment of my debts, and funeral expences. If there should be more money than will pay my debts, in that event I wish it to go to my Brother Wm Wright.

Benja. Wright
16th May 1830

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 15th Day of November 1830.

A Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Benjajamin Wright decd, was brought into Court and offered for proof by William Wright the only Executor therein named - Whereupon George Wright and Robert P Andrews being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were well acquainted with the hand wrighting of the Testator, and that they believe that the whole of said Writing including the signature was in the proper hand writing of the said Testator

and Thereupon the same was Ordered to be recorded as the last will and Testament of said Benjamin Wright decd. Whereupon on the motion of William Wright a certificate was granted him in order to his obtaining probat of said Will in due form of law he having first taken the the oath in such case prescribed by law, and entered into and acknowledged a bond payable to the sitting Justices in a penalty and with security approved by the court and Conditioned as required by law, which said bond was Ordered to be Recorded

Examd Teste
James R Micon Jr Clk

Know all Men by these presents, That We William Wright and George Wright are held and firmly bound unto Archibald Ritchie Henry W Lanam Warner Lewis and Richard Rowzee Gentlemen, Justices of the Court of Essex now sitting, in the just and full sum of Three Thousand Dollars to the payment whereof well and truly to be made to the said Justices, and their successors we bind ourselves and each of us, our and each of our Heirs, executors, and administrators, Jointly and Severally firmly by these presents Sealed with our seals, and dated this 15th day of Novr - anno Dom one Thousand eight hundred and Thirty and in the 55th year of our foundation

The Condition of this obligation is Such, That if the said William Wright, Executor of the last will and Testament of Benjamin Wright decd do make a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods chattels, and credits of the said deceased, which have or shall come to the hands possession or knowledge of him the said William Wright or into the hands or possession of any other person or persons for him the said William Wright and the same so made do exhibit into the said County Court, at such time as he shall be thereto required by the said Court, and the same goods, chattels, and credits, as well and truly administer according to law and make a just and true account of all his actings and doings therein, when thereunto required by the said Court: And further as well and truly pay and deliver all the legacies contained and specified in the said will as far as the said goods, chattels and credits, will extend according to the value thereof, and as the law shall charge him then this obligation to be void, or else to remain in full force.

Signed, Sealed acknowl-)
edged and delivered in)
the presence of)

Wm Wright
Geo. Wright

Essex County Court and Ordered to be Recorded

Examd. Teste
James R Micon Jr Clk"

The 1836 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

	William Wright		1		

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The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	William Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Amount of Tax Cents
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The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	William Wright	1	2		

Riding	

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
	William Wright	1	2		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $40	.96

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules and Colts	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Dollars Cents
William Wright	2	4		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $60	1.52

The 1840 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Kind of Estate	Number of acres	Description or Situation of the Land
William Wright	Essex	In fee	92	Christo B Fleet

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total val of the land and buildings	Amount of tax at the rate of 10 cents per $100 val Dolls	Cents	Explanations of alterations during the preceeding year
15 miles NW	4.00		460.00		.46	By deed from Benjn Fleet

This record reflects the acquisition by William Wright from Benjamin Fleet of 92 acres of land in King & Queen County. The listing of his residence as in Essex County identifies this William Wright as the son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County.

The 1840 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed two William Wrights, one of whom was William A. Wright and the other of whom had the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Freed White Persons Females	Age
William Wright	2	30-40		
	1	15-20		

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				3	24-36	1	36-55
						1	0-10

Number of Persons in each Family Employed in						
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
8			3			

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Universities or College	Number of Students	Academies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that William Wright was born between 1800 and 1810. The second male age 30 to 40 was probably a brother of William Wright.

On August 17, 1840, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 46/535 William Wright purchased from Henry and Delila Crow 150 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 17th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty between Henry Crow and Delila his wife of the County of Essex of the first part and William Wright of the same County of the second part Whereas Thomas N Clark Trustee in a Certain deed of Trust bearing date the 20 April 1835 made by John Crow Junr. and Mary Jane his Wife for the purpose of securing the sum of four hundred and fifty Dollars to Henry Crow with legal interest thereon from the 18th April 1835 due by bond, did according to the terms and provisions of said deed, which has been duly admitted to record in the Clerks Office of Essex County sell a Certain tract or parcel of land thereon named to wit a Certain tract of land, Containing one hundred and fifty acres whereon the said John Crow and Wife at the time of the execution of the said Deed of Trust resided, which said land was purchased by the said Henry Crow at the price of one hundred dollars & was Conveyed by deed to the said Henry Crow by the said Thomas N Clarke Trustee as aforesaid by deed bearing date the 30 day of November 1839 and whereas the said Henry Crow hath sold to the said William Wright all the right, title, claim, interest and demand which he hath acquired in and to the said land by virtue of his purchase as aforesaid. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Henry Crow

and Delila his wife for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and sixty seven dollars to them in hand paid by the said William Wright at and before the signing and sealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained sold, aliened released enfeoffed and Confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain and sell alien release enfeoff and Confirm unto the said William Wright and to his heirs and assigns forever the aforesaid tract of land to wit the tract of land containing one hundred and fifty acres whereon the said John Crow and Wife resided at the time of the execution of the deed of Trust by them to the said Thomas N Clarke and herein before referred to to have and to hold the said tract of land to the said William Wright and his heirs and assigns forever and to and for his and their only proper use and behoof freely, clearly and entirely exonerated from all manner of title claim or interest which the said Henry Crow and Delila his Wife or either of them have in and to the same - and the said Henry Crow and Delila his wife for themselves theirheirs Executors and administrators and each and every of them do hereby covenant to and with the said William Wright his heirs and assigns in manner and form following that is to say, that they nor either of them have not done or executed or Caused to be done or executed any act or thing whereby in any way to weaken or impair their title and interest in and to the said tract of land acquired as aforesaid and further that they the said Henry Crow and Delila his Wife and their heirs Executors and administrators will warrant and defend such right and title as the said Henry Crow acquired in and to the said land and premises by virtue of his purchase and the deed executed to him by the said Thomas N Clarke as aforesaid and such only to the said William Wright and his heirs and assigns forever against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever

In Witness whereof the said Henry Crow and Delila his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

1st P 20 line the erasure made	) Henry Crow		
before signed Executed in pre-	)	her	
sence of 20 lines from the	) Delila	X	Crow
beginning the words and sixty	)	mark	
seven interlined before signed	)		

Essex County to wit

We James Semple and Leonard Henley Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Henry Crow a party to a Certain Deed bearing date on the 17th day of August 1840 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, and desired us to Certify the said acknowledgement to the Clerk of the County Court of Essex in order that

the said Deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and Seals this 17th day of August 1840.

James Semple
Leonard Henley

Essex County to wit

We James Semple and Leonard Henley Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Delila Crow the Wife of Henry Crow parties to a Certain deed bearing date on the 17 day of August 1840 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Delila Crow acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the Same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and Seals this 17th day of August 1841.

James Semple
Leonard Henley

Essex County Court Clerk's Office October 19th 1840

This Deed was this day produced in the Office aforesaid and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record.

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On September 24, 1840, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 46/538 William Wright and Mary Jane Crew sold to Willis Brooks the land purchased by Essex County Deed 46/535, but now described as 80 acres of land:

"This Indure made this 24th day of September 1840 Between William Wright and Mary Jane Crew the Wife of John Crew jr of the first part and Willis Brooks of the second part Witnesseth that the said William Wright and Mary Jane Crew for and in consideration of the sum of Two Hundred dollars paid to the said William Wright and One hundred dollars to the Children of the said Mary Jane Crew the receipt whereof is hereby confessed and acknowledged, hath granted bargained, sold & Conveyed and by these presents doth grant bargain sell & Convey unto the said Willis Brooks his heirs and assigns a Certain piece, parcel, tract or messuage of land, situate lying and being in the parish of Southfarnham in the County of Essex Containing by estimation Eighty acres be the same more or less and bounded by the lands of Churchill Brizendine, Patsy Brizendine, Philip Brooks, Mr H Webb &c it being the same tract or parcel of land which the said

Mary Jane Crew inherited from her Father Thomas Damets(?) decd and which was Conveyed by John Crew Jr her husband to Henry Crew in Trust for Certain purposes as will appear by reference to a Deed bearing date the 20th of April 1835 and which land was sold subsequently by Thos N Clarke Trustee for the said John & Henry Crew, and the said Henry Crew became the purchaser thereof as will appear by a deed from said Clarke to him bearing date the 20th day of November 1839 subsequently to which the said Henry Crew has sold and Conveyed the same to the aforesaid William Wright as will appear by deed bearing date the 17th day of August 1840 in which deed the said Henry Crew & Wife Conveys to the said William Wright only such title as is vested in them by virtue of their purchase under the aforesaid Trust deed and no other, and by this Indenture Mary Jane Crew the Wife of John Crew aforesaid Conveys to the said Willis Brooks all the right title, claim & Interest, which she now has or will ever hereafter have in & to the aforesaid land and premises by virtue of the death of the said John Crew or otherwise - Together with all and singular the Houses, Orchards, Gardens, Woods, ways, waters, Commons, pastures, profits, Commodities advantages, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the said Messuage or parcel of land belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders rents issues and profits thereof and every part and parcel thereof: And all the estate, right title, interest claim and demand whatsoever of them the said William Wright and Mary Jane Crew and their heirs of in and to the messuage and parcel of land aforesaid and every part thereof: To Have and to hold the said messuage and parcel of land aforesaid with the appurtenances unto the said Willis Brooks his heirs and assigns to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of the said Willis Brooks his heirs and assigns forever: And the said William Wright for himself his heirs Exors and admors, the said Messuage or parcel of land aforesaid and every part thereof, unto the said Willis Brooks his heirs &c such title only as is vested in him he will warrant and forever defend - And the said Mary Jane Crew for herself and her heirs Exors & admors the said land and premises aforesaid with every part and parcel thereof unto the said Willis Brooks his heirs and assigns doth shall and will forever defend by these presents - In Testimony whereof the said William Wright and Mary Jane Crew the Wife of John Crew Jr hath hereunto set their hand and affixed their seals, the date first herein written

Signed Sealed and Deli-	)	Wm Wright
vered in presence of us	)	Mary Jane Crew

Essex County Sct

We Peter J Derieux and Arthur Temple Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby Certify that Mary Jane Crew (the Wife of John Crew) a party to a Certain deed bearing date the 24th of September 1840 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid, and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband

and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Mary Jane Crew acknowledged the same to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the Same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and Seals this 24th day of September 1840

Peter J Derieux
Arthur Temple JP

Essex County Court, Clerk's Office October 19th 1840

This Deed was this day produced in the Office aforesaid and with the Justices Certificate annexed as to the privy examination and acknowledgement of Mary Jane Crew (the Wife of John Crew Jr) the only party who has signed the form, admitted to record as to her

Teste.
James Roy Micon Jr Clk

Essex County Court Clerks Office June 16th 1856

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said office by William Wright another party to the same to be his act and deed duly admitted to record as to him

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	William Wright	1		2

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Carriages, whether four Wheel or two wheel riding Carriages, phaetons, Stage wagons, Carryalls and Jersey wagons, and all Others with the value thereof including Harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
5	1 Gig $50	2.05

The 1841 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description or Situation of the Land
William Wright	Essex	In fee	82	Christopher B Fleet

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom Transferred
15 miles NW	5.00		400.00	.37½	10 transferred to Edwd L Wright

This record reflects the transfer of 10 acres of William Wright's land in King & Queen County to his brother Edward L. Wright.

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household on February 23:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
Feby 23	William Wright	1		3

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Forte Pianoes Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
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Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $25	2.32½

The 1842 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains, and Contiguous tracts
William Wright	Essex	In Fee	82	Christopher B Fleet

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 miles NW	5.00		410.00	.51½	

On July 1, 1842, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/430 William Wright sold to Edward L. Wright all of his interest in the estates of John Bird and Elizabeth Bird that had been purchased at a sale of insolvent debtor's assets:

> "Know all men by these presents that I William Wright of the County of Essex for and in consideration of the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars to me in hand paid by Edward L Wright of the said County at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents do bargain sell grant and confirm to the said Edward L Wright all the right title claim and demand which I have in the Est: of Jno: Bird decd. and which the said Bird would have been entitled to at the death of his mother Elizabeth Bird and which he surrendered in a schedule upon taking the oath of an insolvent debtor under an execution sued out of the County Court of King and Queen against said John Bird and which was sold by the Sheriff of King and Queen at which sale I became the purchaser. To have and to hold the Same to the said Edward L Wright and his heirs and assigns forever and for his only proper use and behoof and I hereby bind myself my heirs executors and administrators to defend and protect the right and title of the same to the said Edward L Wright and his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed any Seal this the first day of July one thousand eight hundred and forty two
>
> Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of) W. Wright
> Edwin Upshaw)
> S. W. T. Muse

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 19th Day of December 1842. This Bill of Sale was this day proved in Court by the oath of Edwin Upshaw one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On August 17, 1842, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/394 William Wright sold to Muscoe Garnett and Dabney Brooks 75 acres of land:

"This Indenture made and entered into this 17th day of August 1842 between William Wright of the one part and Muscoe Garnett and Dabney Brooks of the second part, Whereas Muscoe Garnett on the 28th day of July 1842 purchased of said Wright for and Account of Messs: Jno: Kettlewell & Co. all the said Wrights interest in and to the land herein after mentioned and the said Garnett has since that time sold the same to the said Dabney Brooks as by his being a party hereto will appear and has desired said Wright to convey to Dabney Brooks such title as he was to have conveyed to said Garnett. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that said Wright for and in consideration of the premises and the further consideration of three hundred and fifty Dollars in hand paid to the said Wright by the said Garnett the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged he the said Wright hath granted bargained and sold and does by these presents grant bargain and sell unto the said Dabney Brooks his heirs & assigns all that certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the County of Essex bounded by the lands of R. L. Covington James Taylor & supposed to contain Seventy five Acres more or less and is the same tract or parcel of land with all its appurtenances purchased by said Wright at the sale of the land belonging to the heirs of Jackson Dunn which land was sold under a decree of the County Court of Essex in the case of Dunn vs Dunns To have and to hold all the right title and interest of him the said Wright in and to the said tract or parcel of land with all and singular its appurtenances unto the said Dabney Brooks his heirs and assigns forever and the said William Wright and Muscoe Garnett for themselves their Executors Administrators and their heirs the said tract or parcel of land unto the said Dabney Brooks his heirs and assigns will forever warrant and defend against all persons claiming by through or under them but against no other person or persons whatsoever In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereto signed their names and affixed their Seals this 18th day of August 1842

Signed Sealed & delivered	)	W. Wright
in presence of	)	Muscoe Garnett
Jefferson Minor		
G. W. Purkins		
Tho N. Clarke		

Saml W. T Muse

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 19th Day of September 1842. This Deed was this day proved in Court by the oaths of George W Purkins Thomas N Clarke and Saml W T Muse three of the subscribing Witnesses to the same and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

On September 3, 1842, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/15 William Wright conveyed his property in trust to secure James Wright, Charles H. Wright's estate, Richard Wright, Edwin Upshaw, George Wright, Robert M. Davis, William Davis, and Thomas N. Clarke against liability as his sureties:

"My Fancotts land and Houses my goods and Accts are to be held liable to James Wright, Chas H Wrights Representative Richard Wright Edwin Upshaw Col: George Wright Robt M Davis Wm Davis and Thomas N Clarke to secure them and each of them from any liability as my securities in any case whatever previous to this day. Witness my hand and Seal this 3rd day of September 1842

Teste W: Wright
S: W Y Muse
William F Bennett

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of April 1843. This Deed was this day proved in Court by the oaths of S W Y Muse and William F. Bennett the subscribing Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
	William Wright	1		

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents

The 1843 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains, and Contiguous tracts &c
William Wright	Essex	In fee	82	Christo B Fleet

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the Land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 miles NW	5.00		410.00	.60	

William Wright was not found on the 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia.

The 1844 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, did not list William Wright with 82 acres of land, but did list Edward L. Wright with an additional 90 acres of land listed as transferred from William Wright.

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
William Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.10

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
William Wright	1			

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
William Wright	1			

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
William Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents

.10

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
William Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.10

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
William Wright	1			1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			.10

On May 27, 1850, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/12 George Wright sold to his brother Richard Wright all of the property purchased from William Wright, the son of Thomas Wright, as an insolvent debtor:

> "This Deed made this 27 May 1850 between George Wright of Essex County of the first part, and Richard Wright of the same County of the second part, Witnesseth that the said George Wright for and in consideration of twelve hundred and twenty dollars to him paid by said Richard Wright which he hereby acknowledges to have received doth hereby grant bargain and sell unto the said Richard Wright all such right title and interest as was acquired by him by virtue of his purchase of the Sheriff of Essex County of the following estate embraced in the Schedule of William Wright by virtue of his taking the oath of an Insolvent debtor on the 7th September 1842 "to wit" all the right title and interest of the said William Wright both real and personal under the Will of his deceased father Thomas Wright and all the right title and interest which he the said William Wright was entitled to in the Estate of his deceased sister Matilda alias Susan Matilda Wright except any interest which the said Susan matilda may be entitled to under the Will of her brother Benjamin Wright decd together with any interest which said William Wright was entitled to in a portion of the negroes held by Thomas Wright decd in right of his wife Mary Wright decd under the Will of Thomas Pitts decd the several interests having been conveyed to said George Wright by Larkin Noel DS for James M Garnett Sheriff of Essex County by deed bearing date the 27th January 1843 and admitted to record in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Essex on the 19th October 1843 - To have and to hold the

said several interests with the exception aforesaid to the said Richard Wright his heirs and assigns. And the said George Wright doth hereby covenant to and with the said Richard Wright his heirs and assigns to protect and defend such title as is vested in him by and under the deed executed to him by said Larkin Noel DS for said James W Garnett Sheriff as aforesaid and such only against him the said George Wright and all persons claiming under him, but against no other person - Witness the hand and seal of said George Wright the day and year aforesaid

Geo. Wright

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of June 1850

This Deed was this day acknowledged in Court by George Wright to be his act and deed and Ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1850 September 16th Recd the Original Deed recorded opposite

Richard Wright"

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright in the Mary Wright household on November 21, 1850, his age as 40 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1810, and his occupation as constable.

On November 12, 1851, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/195 William Wright conveyed to Richard Wright a balance due from the estate of Richard L. Crow:

"This Deed made the 12 day of November in the year of 1851, between between William Wright and Richard Wright - Witnesseth that whereas there is a balance of One Hundred and ten Dollars and ninety one Cents due William Wright the admor of Richard L Crow decd bearing interest from the 1st day of October 1842, as will appear by reference to the records of the County Court of Essex, which said sum and interest thereon the said William Wright doth assign to the said Richard Wright as follows. Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Eighty Dollars to the said William Wright in hand paid by the said Richard Wright the said William Wright doth grant, unto the said Richard Wright all his claim on said estate of Richard L Crow decd of whatever character it may Consist - Witness the following signature & seal

Wm Wright

Essex County Court Clerk's Office Novemr 12th 1851

This Deed was this day acknowledged in the said Office by William Wright to be his act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On October 17, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/359 William Wright conveyed to his sister-in-law Lucinda Wright, as to a life estate, and his niece Matilda R. Wright, as to a remainder interest, his share of his mother Mary Wright's estate:

"Whereas Charles H S Wright decd in his lifetime became bound with and as surety for William Wright for the payment of Various Sums of Money, due by bonds &c to various parties: and whereas the Said Charles H. S. Wright during his life time had paid off various debts for the said William Wright for which he had become bound as Surety for William Wright and his (the sd Charles H. S. Wrights) estate being now bound by reason of Various judgments against his personal representative, obtained in the Circuit and County Courts for the County of Essex, on bonds &c in which he the Said Charles H. S. Wright decd was bound coobligor and Surety for the said William Wright: and whereas it is the wish and desire of the Said William Wright to indemnify Lucinda Wright widow of, and Matilda R Wright daughter of Charles H. S. Wright decd to some extent for the loss and injury they and each of them have or may suffer and Sustain as widow and daughter of the said Charles H S Wright, in the division and distribution of the estate of the said Charles H. S. Wright decd, by reason of any debt paid for the said William Wright by the said Charles H. S. Wright decd in his life time as co-obligor and surety for the Said William Wright, or by the estate of the said Charles H S Wright decd Since his death, or for which the estate of the Charles H. S. Wright decd is now bound by reason of his Suretyship for the said William Wright: Now therefore this deed made this 17th day of October 1859 between William Wright of the one part and Lucinda Wright widow of, and Matilda R. Wright daughter of Charles H S Wright decd of the other part Witnesseth that the said William Wright for and in Consideration of the premises as well as for the natural love and affection he bears unto his Sister in law Lucinda Wright widow of Charles H. S. Wright decd and unto his neice Matilda R Wright daughter of the said Charles H. S. Wright decd doth grant unto the said Lucinda Wright and unto the Said Matilda R Wright all his right, title and interest in his undivided share of his late Mother Mary Wrights Estate, both real and personal to be jointly held by them for and during their joint lives, and to pass at the death of the said Lucinda Wright to the said Matilda R Wright, if alive, in fee, or if the said Matilda R Wright shall die before her Mother the said Lucinda Wright then the estate hereby conveyed is to go to the sd William Wrights legal

heirs at the death of the said Lucinda Wright. And the said William Wright doth warrant generally the property hereby Conveyed.

Witness the following Signatures and Seals

The word "estate" on the 7th) Wm Wright
line from top of first page inter-)
lined before exon of this deed)
also the erasures and inter-)
lineations on 4th line from end)
W.W.)

As a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of October 1859

This Deed was this day acknowledged by William Wright to be his act and deed and ordered to be recorded

Teste

Whereas William Wright expects this day (the 17th October 1859) to execute a new bond with new Securities as Executor of Thomas Wright decd and I Robert M Davis am willing to become Security for said Wright in such new bond as he may be required to give by the County Court of Essex County, Now Know all men by these Presents that I the said Robert M Davis do hereby Constitute James Roy Micon my true and lawful attorney to sign my name to any new bond which may be required of said Wright as Exor as aforesaid as a Security thereto, and to seal and deliver the same, hereby ratifying all that my said attorney may lawfully do in the premises by Virtue hereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 17 October 1859

R M Davis

King & Queen County To Wit

Personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid R M Davis and acknowledged the foregoing Power of attorney to be his act and deed

Given under my hand this 17th day of October 1859

Wm B Davis JP

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of October 1859

This Power of Attorney was this day produced in Court and with the Justices Certificate annexed ordered to be recorded

Teste"

On December 15, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/380 William Wright conveyed to William B. Davis and Robert M. Davis his commission from selling Poplar Grove to secure them against liability as his sureties:

"Whereas Wm B Davis did on the 11 Sept 1841 become bound with and as surety for William Wright in a bond payable to Mortimer Jones Gdn of the infants of Henry Gleason decd on demand for three hundred and fifty dollars and whereas the said William B Davis has paid off the said bond as surety as aforesaid And whereas Robert M. Davis did also bound with and surety for the said William Wright together with George Wright another surety for said William Wright in a penal bond for one thousand dollars payable to Thomas Gresham and whereas judgment was obtained on the said bond by E. M. Ware assignee in the Cir Court for Esse County for $1000 to discharged by the payment of $500 with interest from 21st March 1842 till paid and $7:18 Costs which said judgment has been paid off by the said Robert M Davis and George Wright sureties as aforesaid in equal portions: Now therefore I William Wright in Consideration of the premises and to indemnify the said Wm. B Davis and Robert M Davis against any loss or damage they may have sustained by reason of their becoming my security as aforesaid do assign, convey, grant and set over to the Said Wm B Davis and Robert M Davis the whole of my Commission arising from the sale of Poplar Grove by me as executor of my late father Thomas Wright decd

Given under my hand and Seal this 15th day of December 1859

Wm Wright

Essex County To Wit

I Jno Haile a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do Certify that William Wright whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on this the 15th day of December 1859 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid

Given under my hand this the 15th day of December 1859

Jno Haile JP

Essex County Court Clerks Office December 16th 1859

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said office and with the Justices Certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household on August 23, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
William Wright	50	M		farmer	3500

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
19640	Virginia				

This record indicates that William Wright was born in about 1810.

On April 20, 1866, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/684 William Wright, as executor of the will of Richard Wright and as trustee for Mary E. Jones and her children, filed his declaration of successor trusteeship as to the property previously held by Richard Wright as trustee:

"This Deed made this 20th day of April 1866, Between William Wright Exor of Richard Wright decd, and as such Executor, Trustee for Mrs Mary E Jones wife of Emanuel M Jones and her children, of the one part and the said Mary E Jones and her children of the other part. Whereas the said Emanuel M Jones, did on the 19th day of July 1845, sell to the late Mrs Mary Wright the mother of the said Mary E Jones the following articles of household and Kitchen furniture &c to wit; one Large Mahogany Table, two gilt mirrors, one dozen Cane bottom chairs, 1 Tea Table, one pair Brass And Irons, shovel and Tongs, 4 blinds to windows, 2 long brass Candle Sticks, 2 large Tea Trays, 1 dozen old windsor chairs, 1 broken set dining china, 1 set Tea China, Knives and forks, 1 pier Table, 1 Black Walnut Can, 2 half Teaster bed steads beds and bedding, 1 small table and looking glass, 1 half Teaster bedstead, bed and bedding, 1 small black walnut table, one wash stand and basin, 1 pair And Irons shovel and tongs, 1 Lot books, Lot of Kitchen furniture mostly broken, 1 Carriage and harness, 2 bay horses, one yoke spade cows, and one ox 1 cow and calf 1 heifer 2 sows and 4 pigs 14 young hogs, 1 ox cart, 1 Horse Cart and harness - all of which said property was

purchased by the said Mary Wright from the said Emanuel M Jones for the sum of two hundred and twenty dollars and seventy cents, that being the price at which the said property was then valued by Edwin Upshaw, and Jefferson Micon mutually chosen by Richard Wright agent for the said Mary Wright and Emanuel M Jones to value the property aforesaid as will appear by a list of said property and the certificate of the said Upshaw & Minor thereto attached and whereas the said property was delivered by the said Emanuel M Jones to the said Richard Wright as agent aforesaid, on the said 19th day of July 1845, and Whereas the said Mary Wright did give all of the said property to her daughter Mary E Jones the wife of the said Emanuel M Jones and put her in the possession of the same but to be held by the said Richard Wright Trustee for the said Mary E Jones during her life and her death to pass to her children, the said property the increase and profits thereof to be held for the exclusive use and benefit of the said Mary E Jones during her life and then for the use and benefit of her children free from the claims demand and control of her said husband, or any one claiming by through or under him. Now be it Known that I William Wright Executor of Richard Wright decd and as such Trustee for Mary E Jones and her children do declare and it is hereby declared that I hold the aforesaid property or such of it as has not been consumed by use or has died, that may remain and the increase thereof and such other property as may have been purchased with the profits, or by the sale of any thereof and will hold what may be purchased as aforesaid for the same uses and purposes and in the same way as the property hereinbefore mentioned is held or declared to be held In witness whereof the following signatures and seals

Wm Wright Exor Richd Wright decd
Wm Wright trustee for Mary E Jones & children

State of Virginia Essex County to wit

I G F Ramsey a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid and State aforesaid do hereby certify that William Wright whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date the 20th day of April 1866 acknowledged the same in my county aforesaid to be his act and deed. Given under my hand the 24th day of April 1866

G F Ramsey JP

Essex County Court Clerks Office April 24th 1866

This Deed of Trust was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the Justices certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste"

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed William Wright with the following household on July 16, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
William Wright	60	M	W	Farmer	1,600

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
265	Virginia				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

1

This record indicates that William Wright was born in about 1810.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that William Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1810, and married Catherine Garnett and that William Wright and Catherine (Garnett) Wright had the following child:

1) William G. Wright.

However, since William Wright, the son of 1840 Thomas Wright, was born in 1810 and the marriage record of William G. Wright and Mary Lunsford Dabney listed his birth in about 1822, William G. Wright could not be the son of William Wright, the son of 1840 Thomas Wright.

i. Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones, Her Husband Emanuel Macon Jones, And Her Descendants

Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones was a daughter of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Marriages

. . . .

E. M. Jones and Mary E Wright were married on Thursday the 13 Sept 1832

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Mary E. Wright born March 30 1812

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Susan Matilda Jones daughter of E M and Mary E Jones departed this life on the 1st day of August 1834

Thomas W Jones son of E M and Mary E. Jones departed this life on the 31st day of September 1840

. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Mary E. Wright 30th March 1812

. . . ."

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Benjamin Erasmus Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mrs. Lucy Hunter Cardwell of Lynchburg, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Died at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. R. Smith, Richmond, Va., February 2, 1917, Miss Mary Catharine Jones, and was buried at St. Paul's Essex County, the following Sunday. She was born at Woodstock, Gloucester County, the ancestral home of her father, Emanuel Macon Jones, grandson of Rev. Emanuel Jones, first rector of Petsworth parish. Her mother was Mary Elizabeth Wright, of Poplar Grove, Essex. . . ."

The marriage record of Mary Elizabeth Wright and Emanuel M. Jones was dated on September 11, 1832, at Essex County, Virginia:

"I hereby certify that I have no objection to Mary Elizabeth Wright (a daughter of mine) being Married to Emanuel M Jones of Gloucester County

Teste	Thos Wright
Susan F Wright	11th of September 1832
Alice C Loyd	
Susan M Wright	
Richard Wright	

"Know all men by these presents, that we Emanuel M Jones and Richard Wright are held and firmly bound unto John Floyd Esq. Governor or Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia in the Just and full sum of One hundred and fifty dollars to the payment whereof well and truly to be made to the sd Governor and his Successors in Office we bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our Seals and dated this 11th day of September 1832. The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas a Marriage is shortly intended to be had and Solemnized between the above bound Emanuel M Jones and Mary Elizabeth Wright of Essex County. Now if there is no lawful cause to obstruct the said Marrigge then the above obligation to be void else to remain in full force.

Executed in pesence of	E. M. Jones
James Roy Micon Jr	Richard Wright"

Essex County Court Clerks Office to wit

This day Richard Wright made oath before me James Roy Micon Jr Clerk of the County aforesaid that he heard Thomas Wright Jur acknowledge the within

Certificate to be his act and Deed. Given under my hand this 11th day of Sept 1832

James Roy Micon Jr
C.E.C."

The 1870 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Emanuel M. Jones with the following household on August 8, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Emanuel M Jones	63	M	W	Farmer	
Mary E Jones	58	F	W	Keeping house	
Mary C Jones	25	F	W	At home	
Charlotte E Jones	21	F	W	At home	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
125	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				
	Virginia				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

1

This record indicates that Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones was born in about 1812 and that Emanuel Macon Jones was born in about 1807.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Emanuel Macon Jones in Saint Paul's Episcopal Church Cemetery, Essex County, Virginia:

"Emanuel Macon Jones
of
Gloucester Co. Va.
May 30, 1807
June 15, 1875
At Rest"

The 1880 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Mary Jones with the following household on June 24, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Mary Jones	W	F	68		.
Lilly Jones	W	F	23		Daughter
Martha Browne	B	F	16		Servant(?)

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
Wd		Keeping house		
S		Keeping house		
S		Cook		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
		.	Virginia	Va	Va
		.	Virginia	Va	Va
		1	Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones was born in about 1812.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Mary Elizabeth Wright adjacent to the gravestone of Emanuel Macon Jones in Saint Paul's Episcopal Church Cemetery, Essex County, Virginia:

"Mary Elizabeth Wright
his wife
March 30, 1812
Oct. 19, 1880
Faithful unto death"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Mary E. Wright was a daughter of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1812, and married E. Macon Jones

in 1836 and that Mary E. (Wright) Jones and E. Macon Jones had the following children:

1) Susan Jones, and

2) Thomas B. Jones.

i. Susan Matilda Jones

Susan Matilda Jones was a daughter of Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones and Emanuel Macon Jones. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], Mary Elizabeth[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Susan Matilda Jones daughter of E M and Mary E Jones departed this life on the 1st day of August 1834

. . . ."

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Susan Jones was a daughter of Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones and Emanuel Macon Jones.

ii. Thomas B. Or W. Jones

Thomas B. or W. Jones was a son of Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones and Emanuel Macon Jones. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], Mary Elizabeth[4])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Thomas W Jones son of E M and Mary E. Jones departed this life on the 31st day of September 1840

. . . ."

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Thomas B. Jones was a son of Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones and Emanuel Macon Jones.

iii. Mary Catherine Jones

Mary Catherine Jones was a daughter of Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones and Emanuel Macon Jones. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], Mary Elizabeth[4])

The 1870 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Mary C. Jones in the Emanuel M. Jones household on August 9, 1870, and her age as 25 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1845.

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of Benjamin Erasmus Wright which was in 1989 in the possession of Mrs. Lucy Hunter Cardwell of Lynchburg, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Died at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. R. Smith, Richmond, Va., February 2, 1917, Miss Mary Catharine Jones, and was buried at St. Paul's Essex County, the following Sunday. She was born at Woodstock, Gloucester County, the ancestral home of her father, Emanuel Macon Jones, grandson of Rev. Emanuel Jones, first rector of Petsworth parish. Her mother was Mary Elizabeth Wright, of Poplar Grove, Essex. . . ."

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Mary Kate Jones in Saint Paul's Episcopal Church Cemetery, Essex County, Virginia:

"Mary Kate Jones
May 8, 1835
Feb. 2, 1917
Numbered with the saints
in glory everlasting"

iv. Charlotte E. Jones

Charlotte E. Jones was a daughter of Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones and Emanuel Macon Jones. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], Mary Elizabeth[4])

The 1870 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Charlotte E. Jones in the Emanuel M. Jones household on August 9, 1870, and her age as 21 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

v. Lilly Jones

Lilly Jones was a daughter of Mary Elizabeth (Wright) Jones and Emanuel Macon Jones. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], Mary Elizabeth[4])

The 1880 Census for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Lilly Jones in the Mary Jones household on June 24, 1880, and her age as 23 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1857.

j. 1842 Charles Henry Stuart Wright of Essex County, His Wife Lucinda (Gresham) Wright, And His Descendants

1842 Charles Henry Stuart Wright of Essex County was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Marriages

. . . .

Charles H. S. Wright and Lucinda Gresham were married on Tuesday 20th of December 1836

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Charles H. S. Wright born ____

. . . .

Charles H. S. Wright was born March 12th 1815

. . . .

Deaths

. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Charles Henry Wright 16th March 1815

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Charles H. Wright 4 May 1842

. . . ."

The Charles Henry Stuart Wright Family Bible, Virginia State Library Accession No. 24485a, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Marriages

Charles H. Wright and Lucinda Gresham daughter of John Gresham and Jane his wife were married on 20th December 1836

Matilda Roland Wright and John Haile were married at Retreat Essex Co Va June 5, 1872

Births

Charles H. Wright was born on 12th March 1815

Lucinda Gresham was born 14th March 1818

Jane Louisa Wright daughter of Charles H. Wright and Lucinda his wife was born 5th November 1837

Matilda Wright was born 20 December 1839

Charles H. Wright died at Retreat 1840

Lucinda Gresham Wright died March 31, 1891

Matilda Rowland Wright Haile died at Retreat June 8, 1907."

These three Family Bible records indicate that Charles Henry Stuart Wright was born on March 16, 1815, married Lucinda Gresham on December 20, 1836, and died on May 4, 1842, that Lucinda (Gresham) Wright was born on March 14, 1818, and that Charles Henry Stuart Wright and Lucinda (Gresham) Wright had the following children:

1) Jane Louisa Wright, born on November 5, 1837, and

2) Matilda Roland Wright, born on December 20, 1839.

The will of Benjamin Wright dated on May 16, 1830, probated on November 15, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 22/163, listed Charles H. Wright as a beneficiary:

"It is my Wish when I die, that what Money or bonds I leave may be divided in the following manner I give to my Little sister Susan Wright five hundred dollars, to Charles H Wright one Hundred Dollars, ..."

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Charles H. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses	
				Number	Dollars Cents
	Charles H Wright	1	1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
1 Gig $100	1.31	

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Charles H. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Charles H Wright	1	1		

Riding	
1 Gig $75	1._

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Charles H. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Dollars Cents
	Charles H Wright	6	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Cents
1 Gig $80	2.84	

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Charles H. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules and Colts	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Number	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Dollars Cents
Charles H Wright	5	3		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $60	2.34

The 1840 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Charles H. Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Charles H Wright	1	60-70	1	20-30
	1	20-30	2	0-5

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				1	36-55	1	36-55
				1	10-24	1	24-36
						2	10-24
						4	0-10

	Number of Persons in each Family Employed in					
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
17			5			

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.

Universities or College	Number of Students	Academies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Charles H. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	Charles H Wright	1	1	6

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Carriages, whether four Wheel or two wheel riding Carriages, phaetons, Stage wagons, Carryalls and Jersey wagons, and all Others with the value thereof including Harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
2	1 Gig $20 1 Baronet $200	6.05

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed the estate of Charles H. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	Charles H Wright Est	1	3	5

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Forte Pianoes Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
4						

Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $20 1 Coachee $150	6.20

This record reflects the death of Charles Henry Stuart Wright in 1842.

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
	Lucinda Wright		1	

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.46

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household on May 29:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
May 29	Lucinda Wright		1	

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and value	Gold Watches	

.40

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Lucinda Wright		1		

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.32

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Lucinda Wright		1		

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.32

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Lucinda Wright		1		

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.32

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
Lucinda Wright		1		

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.32

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Lucinda Wright		1		

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				.32

The 1850 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Lucinda Wright		1		

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches

Patent lever or lepine the silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Amount of interest or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporation bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Total amount of tax Dollars Cents
			.32

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright in the Mary Wright household on November 21, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Mary Wright	74	F		.	10000
Richard Wright	45	M		Manager	
William Wright	40	M		Constable	
Lucinda Wright	30	F		.	
Matilda Wright	10	F		.	
Thornton Cox	28	M		Carpenter	
Mary Jones	38	F		.	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that Lucinda (Gresham) Wright was born in about 1820.

On October 17, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/359 William Wright conveyed to his sister-in-law Lucinda Wright, as to a life estate, and his niece Matilda R. Wright, as to a remainder interest, his share of his mother Mary Wright's estate:

> "Whereas Charles H S Wright decd in his lifetime became bound with and as surety for William Wright for the payment of Various Sums of Money, due by bonds &c to various parties: and whereas the Said Charles H. S. Wright during his life time had paid off various debts for the said William Wright for which he had become bound as Surety for William Wright and his (the sd Charles H. S.

Wrights) estate being now bound by reason of Various judgments against his personal representative, obtained in the Circuit and County Courts for the County of Essex, on bonds &c in which he the Said Charles H. S. Wright decd was bound coobligor and Surety for the said William Wright: and whereas it is the wish and desire of the Said William Wright to indemnify Lucinda Wright widow of, and Matilda R Wright daughter of Charles H. S. Wright decd to some extent for the loss and injury they and each of them have or may suffer and Sustain as widow and daughter of the said Charles H S Wright, in the division and distribution of the estate of the said Charles H. S. Wright decd, by reason of any debt paid for the said William Wright by the said Charles H. S. Wright decd in his life time as co-obligor and surety for the Said William Wright, or by the estate of the said Charles H S Wright decd Since his death, or for which the estate of the Charles H. S. Wright decd is now bound by reason of his Suretyship for the said William Wright: Now therefore this deed made this 17th day of October 1859 between William Wright of the one part and Lucinda Wright widow of, and Matilda R. Wright daughter of Charles H S Wright decd of the other part Witnesseth that the said William Wright for and in Consideration of the premises as well as for the natural love and affection he bears unto his Sister in law Lucinda Wright widow of Charles H. S. Wright decd and unto his neice Matilda R Wright daughter of the said Charles H. S. Wright decd doth grant unto the said Lucinda Wright and unto the Said Matilda R Wright all his right, title and interest in his undivided share of his late Mother Mary Wrights Estate, both real and personal to be jointly held by them for and during their joint lives, and to pass at the death of the said Lucinda Wright to the said Matilda R Wright, if alive, in fee, or if the said Matilda R Wright shall die before her Mother the said Lucinda Wright then the estate hereby conveyed is to go to the sd William Wrights legal heirs at the death of the said Lucinda Wright. And the said William Wright doth warrant generally the property hereby Conveyed.

Witness the following Signatures and Seals

The word "estate" on the 7th) Wm Wright
line from top of first page inter-)
lined before exon of this deed)
also the erasures and inter-)
lineations on 4th line from end)
W.W.)

As a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of October 1859

This Deed was this day acknowledged by William Wright to be his act and deed and ordered to be recorded

Teste

Whereas William Wright expects this day (the 17th October 1859) to execute a new bond with new Securities as Executor of Thomas Wright decd and I Robert M Davis am willing to become Security for said Wright in such new bond as he may be required to give by the County Court of Essex County, Now Know all men by these Presents that I the said Robert M Davis do hereby Constitute James Roy Micon my true and lawful attorney to sign my name to any new bond which may be required of said Wright as Exor as aforesaid as a Security thereto, and to seal and deliver the same, hereby ratifying all that my said attorney may lawfully do in the premises by Virtue hereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 17 October 1859

R M Davis

King & Queen County To Wit

Personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid R M Davis and acknowledged the foregoing Power of attorney to be his act and deed

Given under my hand this 17th day of October 1859

Wm B Davis JP

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of October 1859

This Power of Attorney was this day produced in Court and with the Justices Certificate annexed ordered to be recorded

Teste"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, and her age as 42 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1818.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household on July 20, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Lucinda Wright	53	F	W	Keeping House	2,000
Matilda R Wright	30	F	W	Teaching School	
Mary S Wright	17	F	W	Attending School	
Emerly Whitelow	14	F	W	Attending School	
Emerly Haile	12	F	W	Attending School	
Lucinda Fauntleroy	14	F	B	Domestic Servant	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
200	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			1	.
	Virginia			1	.
	Virginia			1	.
	Virginia			.	1

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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1			

This record indicates that Lucinda (Gresham) Wright was born in about 1817.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lucinda Wright with the following household on June 15, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Lucinda Wright	W	F	62		Mother

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
W		Farmer		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that Lucinda Wright was born in about 1818.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Charles Henry Stuart Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1815, and married Lucinda Gresham in 1836 and that Charles Henry Stuart Wright and Lucinda (Gresham) Wright had the following child:

1) Matilda R. (Wright) Haile, born in 1839.

i. Jane Louisa Wright

Jane Louisa Wright was a daughter of 1842 Charles Henry Stuart Wright of Essex County and Lucinda (Gresham) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1842 Charles Henry Stuart[4])

The Charles Henry Stuart Wright Family Bible, Virginia State Library Accession No. 24485a, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Jane Louisa Wright daughter of Charles H. Wright and Lucinda his wife was born 5th November 1837

. . . ."

ii. Matilda Rowland (Wright) Haile And Her Husband John Haile

Matilda Rowland (Wright) Haile was a daughter of 1842 Charles Henry Stuart Wright of Essex County and Lucinda (Gresham) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1842 Charles Henry Stuart[4])

The Charles Henry Stuart Wright Family Bible, Virginia State Library Accession No. 24485a, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

Marriages

. . . .

Matilda Roland Wright and John Haile were married at Retreat Essex Co Va June 5, 1872

Births

. . . .

Matilda Wright was born 20 December 1839

. . . .

Matilda Rowland Wright Haile died at Retreat June 8, 1907."

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Matilda Wright in the Mary Wright household on November 21, 1850, and her age as 10 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1840.

On October 17, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/359 William Wright conveyed to his sister-in-law Lucinda Wright, as to a life estate, and his niece Matilda R. Wright, as to a remainder interest, his share of his mother Mary Wright's estate:

"Whereas Charles H S Wright decd in his lifetime became bound with and as surety for William Wright for the payment of Various Sums of Money, due by bonds &c to various parties: and whereas the Said Charles H. S. Wright during his life time had paid off various debts for the said William Wright for which he had become bound as Surety for William Wright and his (the sd Charles H. S. Wrights) estate being now bound by reason of Various judgments against his personal representative, obtained in the Circuit and County Courts for the County of Essex, on bonds &c in which he the Said Charles H. S. Wright decd was bound coobligor and Surety for the said William Wright: and whereas it is the wish and desire of the Said William Wright to indemnify Lucinda Wright widow of, and Matilda R Wright daughter of Charles H. S. Wright decd to some extent for

the loss and injury they and each of them have or may suffer and Sustain as widow and daughter of the said Charles H S Wright, in the division and distribution of the estate of the said Charles H. S. Wright decd, by reason of any debt paid for the said William Wright by the said Charles H. S. Wright decd in his life time as co-obligor and surety for the Said William Wright, or by the estate of the said Charles H S Wright decd Since his death, or for which the estate of the Charles H. S. Wright decd is now bound by reason of his Suretyship for the said William Wright: Now therefore this deed made this 17th day of October 1859 between William Wright of the one part and Lucinda Wright widow of, and Matilda R. Wright daughter of Charles H S Wright decd of the other part Witnesseth that the said William Wright for and in Consideration of the premises as well as for the natural love and affection he bears unto his Sister in law Lucinda Wright widow of Charles H. S. Wright decd and unto his neice Matilda R Wright daughter of the said Charles H. S. Wright decd doth grant unto the said Lucinda Wright and unto the Said Matilda R Wright all his right, title and interest in his undivided share of his late Mother Mary Wrights Estate, both real and personal to be jointly held by them for and during their joint lives, and to pass at the death of the said Lucinda Wright to the said Matilda R Wright, if alive, in fee, or if the said Matilda R Wright shall die before her Mother the said Lucinda Wright then the estate hereby conveyed is to go to the sd William Wrights legal heirs at the death of the said Lucinda Wright. And the said William Wright doth warrant generally the property hereby Conveyed.

Witness the following Signatures and Seals

The word "estate" on the 7th)	Wm Wright
line from top of first page inter-)	
lined before exon of this deed)	
also the erasures and inter-)	
lineations on 4th line from end)	
W.W.)	

As a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of October 1859

This Deed was this day acknowledged by William Wright to be his act and deed and ordered to be recorded

Teste

Whereas William Wright expects this day (the 17th October 1859) to execute a new bond with new Securities as Executor of Thomas Wright decd and I Robert M Davis am willing to become Security for said Wright in such new bond as he may be required to give by the County Court of Essex County, Now Know all men by these Presents that I the said Robert M Davis do hereby Constitute

James Roy Micon my true and lawful attorney to sign my name to any new bond which may be required of said Wright as Exor as aforesaid as a Security thereto, and to seal and deliver the same, hereby ratifying all that my said attorney may lawfully do in the premises by Virtue hereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 17 October 1859

R M Davis

King & Queen County To Wit

Personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid R M Davis and acknowledged the foregoing Power of attorney to be his act and deed

Given under my hand this 17th day of October 1859

Wm B Davis JP

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of October 1859

This Power of Attorney was this day produced in Court and with the Justices Certificate annexed ordered to be recorded

Teste"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Matilda R. Wright in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, and her age as 20 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1840.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Matilda R. Wright in the Lucinda Wright household on July 20, 1870, her age as 30 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1840, and her occupation as teaching school.

The marriage record of Matilda R. Wright and John Haile was dated on June 5, 1872, in Essex County, Virginia"

"Date:	June 5 1872
Place:	Essex County
Husb's Name:	John Haile
Wife's Name:	Matilda R Wright
Race:	
Husb's Age:	48

Wife's Age:	33
Husb's Cond:	Widower
Wife's Cond:	Single
Husb Born:	
Wife Born:	
Husb's Res:	Essex County Va
Wife's Res:	Essex County
Husb's Parents:	Robert G Haile & Elizabeth B Jones
Wife's Parents:	Charles S H Wright & Lucinda Gresham
Husb's Occupation:	Farmer
Minister:	Howard W Montague"

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed John Haile with the following household on June 2, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Jno Haile	W	M	56		Father
Matilda R. Haile	W	F	40		Wife
Mattie B. Haile	W	F	21		Daughter
Elizabeth M. Haile	W	F	19		Daughter
Robert G. Haile	W	M	17		Son
Frank H. Haile	W	M	15		Son
Lucy B. Haile	W	F	12		Daughter
Jim Dandridge	B	M	14		Servant

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Farmer		
M		Keeping House		
S		.		
S		.		
S		Farm laborer		
S		Farm laborer		
S		.		
S		.		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
.			Virginia	Va	Va
.			Virginia	Va	Va
.			Virginia	Va	Va
1			Virginia	Va	Va
1			Virginia	Va	Va
1			Virginia	Va	Va
1			Virginia	Va	Va
1			Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that Matilda Rowland (Wright) Haile was born in about 1840 and that John Haile was born in about 1824.

The 1900 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Matilda Haile with the following household on June 7, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		59	59	Matilda Haile Mattie B. Haile Mary Barr Christine McRay Duncan McRay Angel Lomax

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	F	Dec	1839	60	Wd
Daughter	W	F	Aug	1858	41	S
G-Daughter	W	F	Jun	1886	14	S
G-Daughter	W	F	Sep	1887	12	S
G-Son	W	M	Oct	1889	10	S
Servant	B	F	Nov	1879	20	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
	1	1	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
			Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	.
			Teacher	6	.
			At School	.	6
			At School	.	6
			At School	.	6
			Servant	0	.

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	O	F	F	59
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				

This record indicates that Matilda Rowland (Wright) Haile was born in December 1839 and that John Haile had died before June 7, 1900. Although Mattie B. Haile was listed as a daughter of Matilda Haile, the date of Mattie B. Haile's birth makes clear that she

was born before the marriage of Matilda Rowland (Wright) Haile and thus was a child of John Haile's first marriage.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Matilda R. Wright was a daughter of Charles Henry Stuart Wright of Essex County and Lucinda (Gresham) Wright, was born in 1839, and married John Haile and that Matilda R. (Wright) Haile and John Haile had no children.

k. 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Mary Ann (Jones) Wright, And His Descendants

1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essesx County was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
Marriages
. . . .
Edwd L Wright and Mary A. Jones were married _-th Oct 1843

Births
. . . .
Edward L. Wright born 17th ____ 1816
. . . .
Edward L Wright was ____ Nov
. . . .

Died suddenly, but after a severe attack of paralysis, of several months duration, at Rockland, his residence, in Essex County, Va., in the 44th year of his age, Dr. Edward L. Wright . . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Edward Lawrence Wright 16th Nov 1816

. . . ."

The 1837 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Asses, Mares, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward L Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars	Amount of Tax Cents
	.06	

The 1838 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above the age of 12 years	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses Number	Stud Horses Dollars Cents
	Edward L Wright		1		

Riding	

The 1839 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving Lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years old	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Colts and Mules	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Num-ber	Dollars Cents
	Edward Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $50	.58

The 1840 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable with the Tax	Number of Slaves above 12 years of age	Number of Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules and Colts	Stud Horses and Jack Asses Num-ber	Dollars Cents
Edward L Wright		1		

Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness of every description	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $100	1.08

The 1840 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Edward L Wright	1	20-30	1	60-70
			1	20-30

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				1	55-100	2	55-100
				8	36-55	3	36-55
				5	24-36	3	24-36
				7	10-24	12	10-24
				9	0-10	6	0-10

Number of Persons in each Family Employed in						
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
59		15				

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revol-utionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
			Deaf and Dumb		Blind
	Names	Ages	No.	Ages	
1					

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Univer-sities or College	Number of Students	Academies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that Edward L. Wright was born between 1810 and 1820.

The 1841 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names chargeable with the Tax	No. of white males above Sixteen	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	Edward L Wright	1		1

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Carriages, whether four Wheel or two wheel riding Carriages, phaetons, Stage wagons, Carryalls and Jersey wagons, and all Others with the value thereof including Harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
		.12½

The 1841 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description or Situation of the Land
Edward L Wright	Essex	In fee	10	Ditto [Christopher B Fleet]

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom Transferred
15 miles NW	5.00		50.00	.62	Transferred from Wm Wright by deed from him

This record reflects the acquisition by Edward L. Wright from his brother William Wright of 10 acres of land in King & Queen County.

The 1842 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	Number of White Males above 16 years old	Slaves above 12 years old	Slaves above 16 years old
	Edward L Wright	1		

Horses, Mares, Mules, and Colts	Silver Watches	Gold Watches	Metal Clocks	Forte Pianoes Number	Forte Pianoes Value	Gold and Silver above the _ates value of $100
2	1					

Carriages, Whether four wheel or two Wheel riding Carriages, Phaetons, Stage Waggons, Carryalls and Jersey Waggons and all others with the value thereof including harness	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
1 Gig $60	1.25

The 1842 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains, and Contiguous tracts
Edward L Wright	Essex	In Fee	10	William Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 miles NW	5.00		50.00	.6¼	

On July 1, 1842, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 47/430 Edward L. Wright purchased from his brother William Wright all of his interest in the estates of John Bird and Elizabeth Bird that had been purchased at a sale of insolvent debtor's assets:

> "Know all men by these presents that I William Wright of the County of Essex for and in consideration of the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars to me in hand paid by Edward L Wright of the said County at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents do bargain sell grant and confirm to the said Edward L Wright all the right title claim and demand which I have in the Est: of Jno: Bird decd. and which the said Bird would have been entitled to at the death of his mother Elizabeth Bird and which he surrendered in a schedule upon taking the oath of an insolvent debtor under an execution sued out of the County Court of King and Queen against said John Bird and which was sold by the Sheriff of King and Queen at which sale I became the purchaser. To have and to hold the Same to the said Edward L Wright and his heirs and assigns forever and for his only proper use and behoof and I hereby bind myself my heirs executors and administrators to defend and protect the right and title of the same to the said Edward L Wright and his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed any Seal this the first day of July one thousand eight hundred and forty two
>
> Signed Sealed and deli-) W. Wright
> vered in the presence of)
> Edwin Upshaw
> S. W. T. Muse
>
> At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 19th Day of December 1842. This Bill of Sale was this day proved in Court by the oath of Edwin Upshaw one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded
>
> Teste
> James Roy Micon Jr Clk"

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
	Edward L Wright	1		

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks
2			1		

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents
			1	50.00		

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	1.28

The 1843 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Edward L. Wright, Trustee, with the following household:

Date of receiving lists from individual	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 and under 16 Years of age
	Edward L Wright Trustee	1		

Horses, Mares, Asses, Mules, and Colts	No. of Gold Watches	Patent Lever or Lepine Watches	Common Silver or other Metallic Watches	Metal Clocks	Wood Clocks

Piano Fortes under $100 Value	Piano Fortes over $100 Value	Gold and Silver plate above $50 Value	____ wheel ____ding Carriages & Harness with their value Number	Dollars Cents	Phaetons, Stage Waggons Jersey waggons Carryalls &c with their value Number	Dollars Cents

Coaches, Barouches, Buggies and every other kind of Four wheel Riding and Pleasure Carriages and Harness with their number and Value	Amount of Tax Dollars Cents
	.46

The 1843 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains, and Contiguous tracts &c
Edward L Wright	Essex	In fee	10	William Wright

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of Land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the Land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 miles NW	5.00		300.00	.7¼	

On April 4, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/15 Edward L. Wright purchased from James Wright a slave in discharge of a debt due:

"Know all men by these presents that I James Wright being indebted to Edward L Wright in the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars and thirty Cents as will appear by the Account hereto annexed in consideration thereof and the said Edward L Wright having agreed and contracted with me the said James Wright to receive in full satisfaction and discharge thereof a negro man named Solomon valued by James Croxton Esqr and Doct: John S Trille at the sum of Three hundred and fifty dollars therefore I the said James Wright in consideration of the premises have granted bargained sold and delivered and by these presents doth grant bargain sell and deliver unto the said Edward L Wright the said Edward L Wright the said negro man Solomon which said negro is at this time about thirty years of age and for myself my heirs Executors and administrators do hereby covenant to and with the said Edward L Wright to protect and defend the title of said negro against the claim or demand of all and every person whatever lawfully claiming the same, and I the said Edward L Wright in consideration thereof do hereby acquit and discharge the said James Wright the amount due me by the Account before referred to and hereto annexed In Witness whereof the said

James Wright and the said Edward L Wright have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year under written April 4th 1843

Jas Wright
Edward L Wright

At an Intervening Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th Day of April 1843. This Bill of Sale may this day acknowledge in Court by James Wright to be his Act and deed and Ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On April 26, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/28 Edward L. Wright loaned to Thomas Wright a slave for the support of Judith E. Wright and her children:

"This Indenture made this 26th day of April 1843 between Edward L Wright of Essex County of the first part and Thomas Wright of the same County of the second part, Whereas James Wright by a bill of sale bearing date the 4th day of April 1843 and duly admitted to record by the County Court of Essex on the 17th day of April 1843 sold and conveyed to the said Edward L Wright a Negro man slave named Solomon and the said Edward L Wright on the same day by a deed of loan duly admitted to record on the same day with the bill of sale loaned to Judith E Wright the wife of said James Wright for the support of herself and children the said negro slave Solomon for the support of herself and children the possession of which was to be resumed at any time the said E. L Wright might think proper without giving a reason therefor and therein and thereby appointed the said James Wright agent to manage said negroes and appropriate their profit labour &c be and for the uses and purposes therein declared and whereas doubts have arisen whether the title acquired by said E. L Wright although fair and bona fide and for a valuable consideration is valid against the claim of the creditors of said James Wright the said E. L. Wright at the time he purchased said negro not having reduced him into actual possession but loaned him for the uses and purposes aforesaid; and to render any doubt that might exist the said E. L Wright since the execution of said bill of Sale and deed of loan has taken possession of said negro man Solomon conveyed to him by said James Wright as before stated but being desirous that the wife and children of said James Wright should be provided for in as much comfort as the embarrassed situation of said James will admit of and being willing according to his ability to provide the means therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Edward L Wright for and in consideration of the premises and the sum of one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Thomas Wright at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath loaned and by these presents doth loan unto the said Thomas Wright the said negro man Solomon.

To have and to hold said negro during the will and pleasure of said E. L Wright to the said Thomas Wright his Executors and administrators for the sole only exclusive and separate use of said Judith E Wright and her children the profits use and labours of said negro to be applied and appropriated to their sole and exclusive use and benefit and the said Thomas Wright doth hereby warrant to hold said negro slave for the uses purposes objects and intents herein before named and for no other - and to suffer and permit the said E. L Wright to resume the possession thereof whenever he may choose or think proper to do so. In Witness whereof the said Edward L Wright and the said Thomas Wright have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and year first herein written

Edwd L Wright
Thos Wright

Essex County Court Clerks Office April 27th 1843

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in the said Office by Edward L Wright to be his proper act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James M Mathews DCl
James Ray Micon Clk"

The marriage record of Edward L. Wright and Mary Ann Jones was dated on September 28, 1843, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Know all Men by these Presents - That we Edward L Wright and James Roy Micon are held and firmly bound unto The Commonwealth of Virginia, in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Witness our hands and seals, the 28th day of September 1843.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such - That if there be no lawful cause to obstruct a marriage shortly intended to be had and solemnized between the said Edward L Wright (Physician) and Miss Mary Ann Jones then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

All erasures in 2nd & 3rd lines made before signed

Executed in the presence of
James M Matthews

Edwd L Wright
James Roy Micon

Clerk's Office of Essex County Court, 28th day of September 1843.

Personally appeared before me, in my Office and made oath, that the above named Miss Mary Ann Jones is above the age of 21 years, and that she usually resides in said county.

James Roy Micon Clk"

Marriage Notices From Richmond, Virginia Newspapers, 1841-1853 listed the marriage notice for Edward L. Wright and Mary A. Jones on October 5, 1843, in Farmville:

"Married at Farmville, the residence of Capt. Benj. F. Jones, Oct. 5, 1843, by Rev. John P. McGuire, Edward L. Wright, M.D. to Miss Mary A. Jones, all of Essex Co. RE, Nov. 3, 1843, p. 3"

The 1844 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following household on April 6:

Date of receiving Lists	Persons Names Chargeable with Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses &c
Apr 6	Edward L Wright	1		1

No of 4 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and Value	No of Stages and value	No of Carryalls and value	No of 2 wheel pleasure Carri-ages and value	Gold Watches	____
1 $85			1 $15		1
				1	3.42½

The 1844 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	Number of acres	Description of the land as to Water Courses, Mountains, and Contiguous tracts &c
Edward L Wright	Essex	In fee	10	Christo B Fleet
Ditto			90	

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total Value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 Miles NW	5.00		50.00	.62½	Transferred from
15 Miles NW	5.00		450.00		Wm Wright
			500.00		

This record reflects the acquisition by Edward L. Wright from his brother William Wright of the remainder of William Wright's land in King & Queen County.

The 1844 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Lands as to Water Courses, Mountains and Contiguous tracts
Edward L Wright	Essex	fee	1	Called Faucetts

Distance and bearing from the Court house	Value of Land per Acre Dolls Cents	_____ of Buildings Dolls Cents	Total Value of the Land and Buildings Dolls Cents
13 West	25.00	200	205.00

Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceding year
.26	Conveyed to you by Larkin Noel late DS Essex

On February 7, 1845, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 48/461 Edward L. Wright and Mary Ann Wright sold to Fanny T. Cox, as to a life estate in one-third, and to Richard H. Cox, James T. Cox, Judson Cox and William Cox, as to the remainder, a one acre lot known as Fancetts and an 81 acre parcel in King & Queen County:

> "This Indenture made this 7th day of February 1845 Between Edward L. Wright and Mary Ann his wife of the County of Essex of the first part and Fanny T. Cox the widow and Richard H Cox James T. Cox, Judson Cox and William Cox children of William Cox decd of Essex County of the second part. Whereas by virtue of a decree of the County Court of Essex pronounced on the 24" of October 1844 wherein the said Fanny T. Cox widow and administratrix of William Cox decd. was plaintiff and the said Richard H Cox James T. Cox Judson Cox and William Cox were defendants it was decreed that the said Fanny T Cox the plaintiff sell so many of the slaves of the estate of her intestate as might be sufficient to raise a sum not exceeding twelve hundred dollars which she was therein authorized to invest in the purchase of a Tract of land and in putting up the necessary buildings and making the repairs and alterations required and that she take of the vendee a good and sufficient deed with the usual covenants of warranty vesting in the said Fanny T Cox as the widow and the said Richard H Cox James T Cox Judson Cox and William Cox as the heirs and distributees of the said William Cox the same title in the said land as was held by them respectively in such of the slaves as might be sold to effect the purchase of said land. And whereas the said Fanny T. Cox widow and administratrix as aforesaid by virtue of the authority vested in her by and under the decree aforesaid hath purchased of the said Edward L Wright the lot and houses and tract of land thereto attached herein after named for the consideration hereinafter expressed. Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said Edward L. Wright and Mary Ann his wife for and in consideration of the sum of eight hundred dollars to them in hand paid at and before the signing and ensealing of these presents have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell, alien release and enfeoff and confirm and to the said Fanny T. Cox as the widow and the said Richard H. Cox James T Cox, Judson Cox and William Cox and to their heirs and assigns forever a certain Lot with the houses thereon situated lying and being in the County of Essex commonly called and known as Fancetts which said Lot containing by estimated One acre be the same more or less being the sale lot and houses surrendered by William Wright in his schedule upon taking the insolvent debtors oath and by him conveyed to James M. Garnett Sheriff of Essex County by deed of record in the Clerks Office of the County Court of Essex and by the said James M Garnett through Larkin Noel his deputy to the said Edward L Wright also the tract of land thereto adjoining situate lying and being in the County of King and Queen containing by estimation eighty one acres bound by the lands by Christopher B. Fleet and the estate of Thomas Wright and the Main road leading from Ayletts to Tappahannock the larger portion of which being the land surrendered by William Wright upon his taking

the insolvent debtors oath and by him conveyed to Joseph Pollard Sheriff of King and Queen County by deed of record in the Clerks Office in the County Court of King and Queen and by the said Joseph Pollard through Richard Pollard his deputy to the said Edward L. Wright and the residue being the same land conveyed by the said William Wright to the said Edward L Wright before taking the insolvent debtors oath as aforesaid, the said lot houses & land herein conveyed being the same purchased by said William Wright of Benjamin Fleet. To have and To hold the said lot & houses & lands herein before named to the said Fanny T Cox the widow and the said Richard H. Cox James T Cox Judson Cox and William Cox in manner and form following, that is to say, to the said Richard H. Cox James T. Cox Judson Cox and William Cox and to their heirs and assigns forever in fee simple subject nevertheless to the claim of the said Fanny T Cox to one third part thereof to be held by her for and during her life as dower, that being the interest held by her in the slaves sold by her to effect said purchase, and the said Edward L Wright and Mary Ann his wife for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators and each and every of them do hereby covenant to and with the said Fanny T. Cox as the widow and the said Richard H Cox James T Cox Judson Cox and William Cox as the heirs and distributees of the said William Cox deceased to protect and forever defend the right and Title of the said Lot and houses and all the other lands and herein and hereby conveyed together with all and singular the appurtenances thereto appertaining unto the said Fanny T. Cox the widow, and the said Richard H. Cox, James T. Cox, Judson Cox and William Cox as the heirs and distributees of the said William Cox for such interest as is herein and hereby conveyed to them respectively against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatever lawfully claiming or to claim the same. In Witness Whereof the said Edward L. Wright and Mary Ann his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first herein written

2nd page 19th line the word "eighty" interlined before signed. 2nd page 34th line the words "& lands" inter-lined before signed	)))))	Edward L. Wright Mary Ann Wright

Essex County, To wit:

We Peter J Derieux and Arther Temple justices of the peace of the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Mary Ann Wright the wife of Edward L. Wright parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 7th of February 1845 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Mary Ann Wright acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had

willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 23d day of September 1845.

P J Derieux
Arthur Temple

Essex County Towit:

We Peter J Derieux and Arthur Temple Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Edward L Wright a party to a certain deed bearing date on the 7th day of February 1845 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the said acknowledgment to the Clerk of the County Court of Essexin order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and seals this 23d day of September 1845.

P. J. Derieux
Arthur Temple

Essex County Court Clerks Office October 10th 1845

This Deed was this day produced in the Clerks Office aforesaid and with the Justices certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk

1845 Decr 15th Recd the Original Deed recorded opposite

James Temple"

The 1845 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White Males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Edward L Wright	1	3		1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $76				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
1					

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				2.70

The 1845 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in Fee Simple for Life &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
Edward L Wright	Essex	In fee	100	Christopher B Fleet

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 Miles NW	5.00		50.00	.50	

The 1845 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Edward L Wright	Essex	fee	1	Called Faucets

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
13 do	250.00	200	200.00	.20

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year, especially from whom transferred

The 1846 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Edward L Wright	1	3		1

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls harness, and value	2 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $76				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, and value	Plate over the value of $50
1					

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax, and amount of tax	Am't of tax, or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds

Am't of monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				2.70

The 1846 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
Edward L Wright	Essex	In fee	100	Lucy Ann Fleet

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 Miles NW	5.00		500.00	.50	

On November 16, 1846, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/215 Edward L. Wright purchased from Richard F. T. and Frances E. Cauthorn 125 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 16th day of November 1846 between Richard F. T. Cauthorn and Frances E. Cauthorn of the County of Essex of the one part and Edward L. Wright of the said County of the other Witnesseth that the said Richard F. T. Cauthorn and Frances E his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Twelve hundred and fifty five dollars good and lawful money of this Commonwealth to them in hand paid by the said Edward L. Wright at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge have granted bargained sold aliened enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien enfeoff and confirm unto the said

Edward L. Wright and unto his heirs and assigns forever a certain Tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Essex and containing one hundred and twenty five acres more or less being the same tract of land conveyed in a deed bearing date the 15th day of June 1840 and of record in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Essex from Amos Cauthorn to the said Richard F. T Cauthorn in which deed is reserved to the said Amos Cauthorn a small lot of land therein named lying between the roads leading from Howertons Meeting House to Bestland and from Bowlers to Bestland which said road unite at that place supposed to contain a half acre more or less which said lot of land is not intended to be conveyed by these presents The said one hundred and twenty five acres more or less herein conveyed and bounded as follows Beginning at a corner ash on the east side of the swamp boundary between the said land and the lands of Amos Cauthorn thence to a corner To Loury Norris thence to a corner to Polly Greenwood and Loury Norris thence to a corner to Polly Greenwood thence to the Main road leading from Howertons Meeting House to the Bestland Bridge thence down said road to a bridge across said road thence down the meanders of the swamp to the corner ash at the beginning. To have and to hold the said tract of land together with all and Singular the priveleges and appurtenances Thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the said Edwd L Wright and his heirs and assign forever and to and for his and their only proper use and behoof and the said Richard F T Cauthorn and Frances E his wife for themselves their heirs executors and administrators and each and every of them do hereby Covenant to and with the said Edward L Wright his heirs and assigns in manner and form following That is to say That he the said Richard F. T. Cauthorn and Frances E his wife will protect and forever defend the right and title of the said tract of land together with its priveleges and appurtenances unto the said Edward L. Wright his heirs and assigns against the claim or demand of all and every person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the same and that the said Edward L. Wright, his heirs and assigns shall and may at all times hereafter quietly and peaceably have hold occupy possess and enjoy the said tract of land with its priveleges and appurtenances as aforesaid against the act hindrance coercion or disturbance of all and every person and persons whatever. In witness whereof the said Richard F. T Cauthorn and Frances E. his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first herein written

Richard F. T. Cauthorn
Frances E. Cauthorn

Essex County to wit

We R J Muse and Jas. Wright Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Richard F. T Cauthorn a party to a certain deed bearing dated on 16th day of November 1846 and hereto annexed personally appeared before us and in our County aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed and desired us to certify the same to the Clerk

of the County Court of Essex in order that the said deed may be recorded. Given under our hands and Seals this 30th day of December 1846

R J Muse
Jas. Wright

Essex County to wit

We R J Muse and Jas Wright Justices of the peace in the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do hereby certify that Frances E. Cauthorn the wife of Richard F. T Cauthorn parties to a certain deed bearing date on the 16th day of November 1846 and hereunto annexed personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her acknowledged the same to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and that she wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 30th day of December 1846

R J Muse
Jas. Wright

Essex County Court Clerk's Office January 18th 1847.

This Deed was this produced in the office aforesaid with the Justices certificates annexed and admitted to record

Teste
James M Matthews DC for
James Roy Micon Clk

See page 229 for another Justices Certificate since deed was first recorded 1847 May 17th. Recd the original Deed recorded opposite from Cauthorn & M P to me

Edwd L. Wright"

The 1847 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Edward L Wright	1	5		2

4 wheel pleasure Carriages & Harness, & value	Stages & Value, including Harness	Carryalls & Harness, and Value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and Harness, & Value	Gold watches
$50				

Patent lever or lepine silver Watches	Other Watches	Metallic Clocks	Other Clocks	Pianos, and Value	Plate over the Value of $50
1		1			

Attorneys paying specific Tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax, and amt of Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and amt of tax	Amt of Monied yearly income income over $00 received as salaries or fees of office
	1		

Amt of Inst, or profits on moneys loaned out on bonds against big purchases including inst profits or dividends on State or corporation bonds	Bridges-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries-am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper printing presses and amount of tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				8.30

The 1847 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
Edward L Wright	Essex	fee	100	Lucy Ann Fleet

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 Miles NW	5.00		500.00	.50	

The 1847 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee Simple, for life &c	Number of Acres	Description of the Land as to watercourses, Mountains and Contiguous Tracts
Edwd L Wright	Essex	fee	125	Amos Cauthorn

Distance and bearing from the Court House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dollars Cents	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dollars Cents	Total value of the land and buildings Dollars Cents	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
_ S	7.00	275.00	875.00	.84

Explanation of alterations, during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

conveyed to you by R F T Cauthorn & wife & deducted from his land

This record reflects the purchase of 125 acres of land in 1846 by Essex County Deed 49/215.

On December 21, 1847, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/428 Edward L. Wright purchased from Richard and Martha Atkins 71 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this 21 of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven between Richard Atkins and Martha his wife of the County of Essex of the first part and Edward L Wright of the said County of the second part; Witnesseth that the said Richard Atkins and Martha his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Three hundred and fifty Dollars to them in hand paid by the said Edward L Wright at and before the signing and esealing of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained

sold aliened released enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release enfoeoff and confirm unto the said Edward L Wright his heirs and assigns all that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the said County of Essex containing seventy one Acres be the same more or less bounded by the road leading from Howertons Meeting House to Bestland the land of the said Edward L Wright Loury Norris Henry Greenwood Jacob Durham and Walter G Covington, being the land purchased by the said Richard Atkins of Loury Norris and Winter Bray. To Have and to hold the said tract of land together with all and singular the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the said Edwd L Wright and his heirs and assigns forever and to and for his only proper use and behoof and the said Richard Atkins and Martha his wife for themselves their heirs, executors and administrators and each and every of them do hereby covenant to and with the said Edwd L Wright his heirs and assigns in manner and form following that is to say that he the said Richard Atkins and Martha his wife will protect and forever defend the right and title of the said tract of land together with its privileges and appurtenances unto the said Edward L Wright his heirs and assigns against the claim or demand of all and every person and persons whatsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same and that the said Edward L Wright his heirs and assigns shall and may at all times hereafter have hold occupy possess and enjoy the said tract of land with its privileges and appurtenances as aforesaid against the lot hindrance eviction or disturbance of all and every person and persons whatever. In Witness whereof the said Richard Atkins and Martha his wife have hereunto set their hands and Seals the day and year first herein written

Signed Sealed and delivered
in the presence of
Jas Wright
as to Richd Atkins
R J Muse ditto

Richard Atkins
Martha Atkins

Essex County to Wit

We Jas Wright Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and State of Virginia do hereby certify that Martha Atkins the wife of Richard Atkins and party to a certain deed bearing date the 21 of December 1847 personally appeared before us in our said County and being by us examined privily and apart from her husband and having the deed aforesaid fully explained to her she declared it to be her act and deed, and that she had willingly signed sealed and delivered the same and wished not to retract it. Given under our hands and seals this 14th day of January 1848

Jas Wright
R: J Muse

At a Monthly Court begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 17th day of January 1848

This Deed was this day acknowledged in Court by Richard Atkins to be his act and deed and with the Justices Certificate annexed ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1848 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Persons chargeable with Tax	White males above the age of 16	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses Mules &c
Edward L Wright	1	3	2	2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
1 $30				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & Value	Plate over the value of $50
1		1			

Attorneys paying Tax and Amt Tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific Tax and Amt Tax	Dentists paying specific Tax, and Amt Tax	Amt of Int or profits on moneys loaned out or on bonds acquired by purchase including int profits or dividends on state or corporation bonds
	1		

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400 received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper Printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				8.00

The 1848 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
Edward L Wright	Essex	fee	100	Lucy Ann Fleet

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 Miles NW	5.00		500.00	.50	

The 1848 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the Land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous Tracts
Edward L Wright	Essex	fee	125	Amos Cauthorn
Same	"	"	71	Susan Lumpkin

Distance and bearing from the ct House	Value of land per acre including buildings Dols cts	Sum added to the land on account of buildings Dols cts	Total value of the land and buildings Dols cts	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate Dols cts
11 south	7.00	275.00	875.00	.84
10 Do	5.00		355.00	.36

Explanation of alteration during the preceding
year especially from whom transferred

conveyed to you by Richd Alkens and wife

This record reflects the purchase of 71 acres of land in 1847 by Essex County Deed 49/428.

The 1849 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, also listed Edward L. Wright with the following household:

Persons Names Chargeable With Tax	White males above 16 years of age	Slaves above 16 years of age	Slaves above 12 years of age	Horses mules &c
Edward L Wright	1	4		2

4 wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Stages and value, including harness	Carryalls and harness, and value	2 Wheel pleasure carriages and harness, and value	Gold watches
2 $115				

Patent lever or lepine silver watches	Other watches	Metallic clocks	Other clocks	Pianos, & value	Plate over the value of $50
1		1			

Attorneys paying specific tax, and am't of tax	Physicians and surgeons paying specific tax and amount of tax	Dentists paying specific tax and amount of tax	Am't of Int. or profits on moneys loaned out, or on bonds acquired by purchase, including interest, profits or dividends on state of corporat'n bonds
	$5		

Am't of Monied yearly income over $400, received as salaries or fees of office	Bridges- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Ferries- am't of yearly rent or value over $100	Newspaper, printing presses and amt of Tax	Total am't of tax Dollars Cents
				8.96

The 1849 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
Edward L Wright	Essex	fee	100	Lucy Ann Fleet

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 Miles NW	5.00		500.00	.50	

The 1849 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Edward L Wright	Essex	Fee	125	Amos Cauthorn
Same Same	"	"	71	Susan Lumpkin

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amt of tax on the whole tract at the legal rate
11 S	7.00	275.00	875.00	.81
10 "	5.00		355.00	.36

Explanation of alteration during the preceding
year especially from whom transferred

On March 19, 1850, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 49/714 Edward L. Wright purchased from E. G. Cauthorn, as commissioner, two parcels of 24 and 46 acres of land:

"This Indenture made this 19th day of March 1850 between E. G. Cauthorn of the County of Essex of the one part and Edward L Wright of the same County of the other part, whereas on the 21st day of September 1846 it was decreed and ordered by the County Court of Essex in a certain cause then depending in the Chancery side of said Court between John Garrett & other plaintiffs and Mildred Brizendine and others defendants that the said E G Cauthorn and Richard F T Cauthorn Commissioners appointed by said Court should at public Auction on a credit of six months except a sum sufficient to pay the costs of suit and charges of sale which was so ordered to be paid in cash by the purchaser, make sale of two certain pieces or parcels of land one tract belonging to Polly Greenwood containing about twenty four acres & another tract containing about forty six Acres upon which the said Polly alias Mary Greenwood resided lying in Essex County and whereas the said Commissioners as aforesaid in pursuance of said directal Order did on the 6th day of October 1846 on the premises offer for sale the said pieces or parcels of land at public Auction, it being the same land mentioned in the plaintiffs bill having advertised the time and place of sale for two weeks previous to the sale at which sale the said pieces of land were struck off to the said Edward L. Wright for the Sum of three hundred and Sixty Seven dollars that being the highest bid for the same and whereas by a subsequent order made in the aforesaid cause the said Court hath decreed that the said E. G. Cauthorn one of the Commissioners aforesaid, should execute a deed to the said Edward L Wright Conveying the said land with all the title vested in the said Commissioners by reason of the said decrees spesially warranting the same Now this Indenture witnesseth that the said E. G. Cauthorn Commissioner as aforesaid and party of the first part to this Indenture to Carry into effect the said sale, made in pursuance of said directal Order in Consideration of the premises and of the said Sum of three hundred and sixty seven dollars paid to the parties legally entitled under said directal Order to receive the same at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, have sold, and by these presents doth give grant, bargain, and sell, unto the said Edward L Wright his heirs and assigns the said pieces or parcels of land to wit lying in the County of Essex, and herein before described as the land upon which Mary Greenwood resided & the land belonging to said Mary alias Polly Greenwood it having been sold under the aforesaid decree in gross without regard to quantity, To have and to hold the said land with the appurtenances thereto belonging or appertaining to the said

Edward L Wright his heirs and assigns to the only use and behoof of him the said Edward L Wright his heirs and Assigns forever

And the said E. G. Cauthorn Commissioner as aforesaid the said pieces or parcels of land against himself and his heirs and all other person or persons Claiming or to claim by through or under him, unto the said Edward L Wright his heirs and assigns, shall will by these presents warrant and forever defend In Witness whereof the said party of the first part hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal the day and year first above written.

E. G. Cauthorn Comr

Essex County Court Clerk's Office March 19th 1850

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by E. G. Cauthorn to be his act and deed and admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

The 1850 Land Tax List for King & Queen County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple for life, &c	No. of acres	Description of the land as to watercourses, mountains, and contiguous tracts &c
Edward L Wright	Essex	In fee	100	Lucy Ann Fleet

Distance and bearing from the courthouse	Value of land per acre including the buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Amount of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate	Explanation of alterations during the preceeding year especially from whom transferred
15 Miles NW	5.00		500.00	.50	

The 1850 Land Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following property:

Name of Owner	Residence	Estate whether held in fee simple, for life &c	No. of Acres	Description of the land as to water courses, mountains and contiguous tracts
Edwd L Wright	Essex	Fee	125	Amos Cauthorn
Same Same	"	"	71	Susan Lumpkin

Distance and bearing from the court house	Value of land per acre including buildings	Sum added to the land on account of buildings	Total value of the land and buildings	Am't of tax on the whole tract, at the legal rate
11 S	7.00	275.00	875.00	.81
10 S	5.00		355.00	.36

Explanation of alteration during the preceding year especially from whom transferred

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright with the following household on September 27, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Edward L Wright	33	M		Physician	3500
Mary Wright	30	F			
Robert Wright	6	M			
Alice Wright	4	F			
Ellen Wright	3	F			
Susan Wright	1	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				
Virginia				

This record indicates that Edward Lawrence Wright was born in about 1817 and that Mary Ann (Jones) Wright was born in about 1820.

On May 19, 1851, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/138 Edward L. Wright and Austin M. Trible, as trustees, sold to Richard Wright their interest in the estates of Thomas Wright and Susan M. Wright:

> "This Deed made this 19th day of May 1851, between Edwd L Wright and Austin M Trible Trustees and Richard Wright: Witnesseth that in consideration of the premises and also for the consideration of Twenty four Hundred Dollars the said Edwd L Wright and Austin M Trible do grant unto the said Richard Wright all of the interest conveyed by James Wright to the said Edwd. L Wright, and Austin M Trible Trustees as aforesaid in the estate of his father Thomas Wright decd, And also all the interest of the said James Wright in the est of Susan M Wright who died intestate and without issue also any interest the said James Wright may have possessed in any of the negroes held by the said Thomas Wright at the time of his death, under the Will of the Grandfather of the said James Wright
>
> Edwd L Wright
> Austin M Trible
> Trustees
>
> Essex County Court Clerk's Office May 19" 1851 -
>
> This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in the said Office by Edward L Wright and Austin M Trible to be their act and deed and admitted to Record as to them
>
> Teste
> Benjn P. Wright DC for
> James Roy Micon Clk"

On May 29, 1851, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/153 Edward L. Wright purchased from Richard Wright his interest in the estates of Thomas Wright and Susan M. Wright:

> "This Deed made the 29th day of May 1851 between Richard Wright and Edward L Wright - Witnesseth that in Consideration of the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars the said Richard Wright doth grant unto the said Edward L Wright one half of all the right title and interest of the said Richard Wright in and to the interest of James Wright decd in the Est: of his father Thomas Wright decd - also one half of the interest of the said James Wright in the Est of Susan M Wright decd who died intestate and without issue - also one half of the interest of the said James Wright in any portion of the negroes held by the said James Wright at the time of his death under the Will of the Grandfather of the said James Wright, which said several interests were purchased by the said Richard Wright on the 21 April last, and sold by the sd Edward L Wright and Austin Trible Trustees under a decree of the Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery for Essex County, pronounced on the 15 November 1850
>
> Witness the following seal and signature.
>
> The words "one half lf") Richard Wright
> interlined before signed)
>
> Essex County Court Clerk's Office July 21st 1851
>
> This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my said Office by Richard Wright to be his act and deed and admitted to record
>
> Teste
> James Roy Micon Clk"

On February 3, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/511 Edward L. Wright purchased from James and Sarah Croxton their one-half interest in a water grist mill:

> "This Deed made this 3rd day of February in the year 1854 between James Croxton and Sarah Croxton his wife and Edward L Wright, Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the Sum of One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy five dollars the Said James Croxton and Sarah Croxton his wife do grant unto the Said Edward L Wright all their right title and interest in one half of the water grist Mill, at present owned by the Said grantors together with one half of the fixtures thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining this being the Same Mill, at one time owned by the late Col Kemp Gatewood and Sold at public auction by O M Crutchfield Commissioner at which Sale James Wright and the Said James Croxton became the purchasers as will more fully appear by a deed duly recorded in the Clerks Office of Essex County together with one half the land

thereto attached containing forty acres more or less, also the right of ways to the Said Mill, all lying in the County of Essex and bounded by the lands of Samuel Dunn Maria Davis and the Said James Croxton and the Said Grantors hereby covenant that they will warrant generally the property hereby conveyed Witness the following Seals and Signatures

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James Croxton
Sarah Croxton

Essex County to Wit,

I, G F Ramsey a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that James Croxton whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date on the 3rd day of February 1854 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid

Given under my hand this 15th day of March 1854

G F Ramsey JP.

Essex County to Wit

We George F Ramsey and R L Covington Justices of the Peace for the Said County in the State of Virginia do certify that Sarah Croxton the wife of James Croxton whose names are Signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 3rd day of February 1854 personally appeared before us in the County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her She the Said Sarah Croxton acknowledged the Said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the Same and does not wish to retract it

Given under our hands this 15th day of March 1854

G F Ramsey JP
R L Covington JP

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 20th day of March 1854.

This Deed was this day produced in open Court and with the Justices certificates annexed ordered to be recorded

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On August 23, 1854, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/599 Edward L. Wright purchased from John L. and Lucy Boughton their interest in a tract of land formerly owned by Amos Cauthorn:

"This Deed made this 23rd day of August 1854 between John L Boughton and Lucy Br his wife and Edward L Wright, Witnesseth, that in Consideration of the Sum of Twenty Eight hundred and fifty dollars the Sd John L Boughton and Lucy his wife do grant unto the Said Edward L Wright all their right title and interest in and to a tract or parcel of land lying in the County of Essex and bounded by the lands of the Said John L Boughton Richard F T Cauthorn and others being a part of the Same tract owned by the late Amos Cauthorn at the time of his death that Sold by Absalom W Cauthorn Trustee for Robert W Ferneyhough and purchased by Geo T. Wright, and purchased by the Said John L Boughton of the Said Geo T Wright as will more fully appear by deeds duly recorded in the Clerks Office of Essex County with the exception of ten acres to commence at the road gate of the Said John L Boughton near James H Mitchell's and to be run in a Straight line to embrace that quantity of land With the exception of the dower of Mrs Ferneyhough to which the land is Subject and with which understanding the Said property has been bought and Sold the grantors hereby warrant generally the property hereby conveyed. In Witness whereof the said John L Boughton, and Lucy B. his wife affix their hands and Seals the day and year above written.

John L Boughton
Lucy B Boughton

Essex County to Wit;

I ____ a Justice of the peace forthe County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do Certify that John L Boughton whose name is Signed to the writing above bearing date on the 23rd day of August 1854 has acknowledged the Same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this __ day of ____ 1854

Essex County to wit:

We R L Covington and Thos Durham Justices of the peace for the County of Essex, in the State of Virginia do Certify that Lucy B. Boughton the wife of John L Boughton, whose names are Signed to the writing above personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her She the said Lucy B. Boughton, acknowledged the Said writing to be her act and deed and declared that She had willingly executed the Same and does not wish to retract it Given under our hands this 16th day of September 1854.

R L Covington J.P.
Thos. Durham J.P.

Essex County Court Clerk's Office September 18" 1854

This Deed was this day acknowledged before me in my Said office by John L Boughton to be his act and deed and with the Justices Certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste,
James Roy Micon Clk"

On February 1, 1856, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 50/828 Edward L. Wright, as trustee, and Judith E. Wright sold to John C. Brizendine 18-3/4 acres of land:

"This Deed made the 1st day of February 1856 between Edwd L Wright acting Trustee of the late James Wright Judith E Wright the widow of the said James Wright decd and John C Brizendine, Witnesseth that in Consideration of the Sum of ninety three dollars, and 93-3/4/100 the said Edward L Wright acting Trustee as aforesaid and the said Judith E Wright the widow of the said James Wright do grant unto the said John C Brizendine all their right title and interest in and to a tract or parcel of land lying in the County of Essex and State of Virginia Containing Eighteen and three quarter acres, be the same more or less, and adjoining the lands of Willis Bucks Mrs Harriet Ann Brookes, and others, and the Said Edward L Wright widow trustee as aforesaid and the said Judith E Wright widow of the late James Wright do hereby warrant Specially the property hereby conveyed

Witness the following seals and signatures

Edwd L Wright Trustee
Judith E Wright

Essex County to wit

I, Thomas Durham a Justice of the peace for the Said County in the State of Virginia do Certify that Edward L Wright acting Trustee of the late Col James Wright and Judith E Wright the widow of the said James Wright whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date on the 1st of February 1856 have acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this the 2nd day of February 1856

Thomas Durham JP

Essex County Court Clerks Office June 6" 1856

This Deed was this day produced to me in my said Office and with the Justices Certificate annexed admitted to record

Teste
James Roy Micon Clk"

On June 1, 1858, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/221 Edward L. Wright and Mary Ann Wright sold to D. Scott 3 acres of land:

"This Deed made this 1st day of June in the year 1858 between Edward L Wright and Mary Ann his wife of the first part and D Scott of the Second part Witnesseth That in consideration of the Sum of One Hundred and Eighty Nine dollars and 75/100 the Said Edward L Wright and Mary Ann his wife do grant unto the Said Scott all their right title and interest in and to a lot of land lying in the County of Essex State of Virginia containing three acres 26 poles and bounded as follows Viz - Commencing at the northern edge of an old ditch near the Stable belonging to the Said Scott and running according to the meanders of railing and paling to the northern corner of the garden belonging to sd Scott thence to the Northern edge of a ditch running to the fence dividing sd lot from Jno L Boughton thence to the edge of the ditch first mentioned & thence to where the boundary commenced It is hereby understood and expressly declared that the above lot has been Sold and purchased Subject to the dower of Mrs Polexinia Freneyhough the wife of Robt W Freneyhough of Spotsylvania County with which exception the Said Edwd L Wright and Mary Ann Wright do warrant generally the property hereby conveyed Witness the following Seals and Signatures

Edwd L. Wright
Mary A Wright

Ninth line from the top words "Containing three acres 26 poles" interlined before Signed

Essex County to Wit

I Jno L Boughton a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Edward L Wright whose name is Signed to the writing annexed bearing date the 1st day of June 1858 has acknowledged the Same in my County aforesaid Given under my hand this 14th day of June 1858

Jno. L. Boughton J.P.

Essex County to Wit

We John L Boughton & G F Ramsey Justices of the Peace for the County of Essex and State of Virginia do Certify that Mary Ann Wright the wife of Edward L Wright whose names are Signed to the Writing annexed bearing date the 1st day of June 1858 personally appeared before us in our County aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Mary Ann Wright acknowledged the Same to be her act and declared that She had willingly executed the Same and does not wish to retract it - Given under our hands this 14th day of June 1858

Jno. L. Boughton JP
G. F. Ramsey JP

Essex County Court Clerks Office September 7th 1858

This Deed was this day produced to me in my Said Office and with the Justices Certificates annexed admitted to record

Teste"

On January 1, 1859, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 51/370 Edward L. Wright and Mary Ann Wright sold to George F. Ramsey 17-5/16 acres of land:

"This Deed made this 1st day of January 1859 between Edward L Wright and Mary Ann Wright the wife of the said Edward L Wright of the first part and George F Ramsey of the second, Witnesseth that for and in Consideration of the Sum of Three hundred and Twenty one Dollars and 39/100 and for the further Consideration of a small piece of land lying on the fork of the road leading from Howertons Meeting House to Bestland and from Bestland to Centre Cross for which the said Edward L Wright has paid the said Ramsey thirty dollars the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the said Edward L Wright and Mary Ann his wife do grant bargain and sell unto the said Geo F Ramsey all their right title and interest in a Certain parcel of land lying on the Main road from Bestland to Centre Cross and bounded by the lands of the said Edward L Wright and George F Ramsey containing by a recent survey Seventeen and five sixteenths acres and the said Edward L Wright and Mary Ann his wife do Warrant generally the property hereby conveyed except three quarters of an acre adjoining the above which is subject to the dower of Mrs Frenezhough the wife of Robt W Frenezhough of Spotsylvania County and the said George F Ramsey also warrants generally the small piece of land lying in the fork of the road as above described

Witness the following Seals and Signatures

Edwd L Wright
Mary F Wright
G F Ramsey

state of Virginia Essex County to wit

We R L Covington and John L Boughton Justices of the peace for the County of Essex and state of Virginia do Certify that Mary Ann Wright the wife of Edward L Wright whose names are signed to the writing above bearing date on the 1st day of January 1859, personally appeared before us in the aforesaid and being examined by us privily and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her she the said Mary A Wright acknowledged the said writing to be her act and deed and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it

Given under our hands this 29th day of October 1859

R L Covington JP
Jno L Boughton JP

Essex County State of Virginia To Wit

I R L Covington a Justice of the peace for the County of Essex the County aforesaid in the state of Virginia do Certify that Edwd L Wright whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date 1 January 1859 has acknowledged the same in my County aforesaid

Given under my hand this 29th day of October 1859

R. L Covington JP

At a Court of Quarterly Session begun and held for Essex County at the Courthouse in Tappahannock on the 21st day of November 1859

This Deed was this day produced in Court and acknowledged by George F Ramsey a party to the same to be his act and deed and with the Justices Certificates annexed Ordered to be Recorded

Teste"

The birth record of Edward Lawrence Wright, son of Edward and Mary Ann Wright, was dated in August 1859 in Essex County, Virginia:

"Date of Birth: Augt 1859
Name of Child: Edward Lawrence Wright
White: X
Colored:
Sex:
Male: X
Female:
Born:
Alive: X
Dead:
Place of Birth:
Father's Name: Edward Wright
Father's Occupation:
Father's Residence:
Mother's Name: Mary Ann
How many at birth: 1
Informant: Ed.'d Wright
Relation of Informant: Father"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed E. L. Wright with the following household on August 30, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
E. L. Wright	44	M		M. D. & farmer	22000
Mary A Wright	40	F		.	
Robert Wright	16	M		.	
Alice J Wright	14	F		.	
Ellen H Wright	13	F		.	
Susan M Wright	11	F		.	
George Wright	9	M		.	
Orlando S Wright	5	M		.	
Laura M Wright	3	F		.	
Edward L Wright Jr	1	M		.	
Lucinda Wright	42	F		.	
Matilda R Wright	20	F		.	
Susan Shackleford	26	F		Housekeeper	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
26250	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		1		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
8300	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		
	Virginia		.		

This record indicates that Edward Lawrence Wright was born in about 1816 and that Mary Ann (Jones) Wright was born in about 1820.

The death record of Edward L. Wright, son of Thomas and Mary Wright, was dated in October 1860 at Essex County, Virginia:

"Place of Death:	Essex County, Virginia
Line Number:	15
Name of Deceased:	Edward L. Wright
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	44
Date of Death	October (day not stated) 1860
Place:	Essex County
Cause of Death	Paralysis
Name of Parents:	Thomas and Mary Wright
Birthplace of Deceased:	Not stated
Occupation:	Physician
Consort of:	Mary Ann Wright
Name of Informant:	Robt. K. Wright
Relation of Informant:	Son
Commissioner of the Revenue:	Not stated
Date Record Filed:	July 1861"

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Mary A Wright with the following household on July 18, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Mary A Wright	49	F	W	Keeping House	2,400
Alice J Wright	24	F	W	Teaching School	
Susan M Wright	21	F	W	Without occupation	
George Wright	19	M	W	farmer	
Olando S. Wright	15	M	W	attending School	
Laura M Wright	13	F	W	attending School	
Lawrence Wright	11	M	W	attending School	
Susan Shakelford	30	F	W	Domestic Servant	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
800	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			.	.
	Virginia			1	.
	Virginia			1	.
	Virginia			1	.
	Virginia			.	1

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Mary Ann (Jones) Wright was born in about 1821.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed M. A. Wright with the following household on June 1, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
M. A Wright	W	F	60		.
S. M Wright	W	F	30		Daughter
L. M Wright	W	F	24		Daughter
E. L Wrights	W	M	20		Son
W E Wright	W	M	13		Grandson

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
W		Keeping house		
S		At home		
S		At home		
S		At home		
.		At home		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va
	1	1	Virginia	Va	Va

This record indicates that Mary Ann (Jones) Wright was born in about 1820.

On January 17, 1900, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 60/60 Thomas Croxton, as special commissioner, conveyed to Mary A. Wright fifty acres of land pursuant to a decree in the case of Trice v. Broughton:

> "Whereas by a decree entered on the 17th day of January in the year 1900 in the chancery cause of Trice v. Boughton Thomas Croxton special commissioner in this cause was appointed special commissioner for the purpose and was directed to make Mary A Wright a deed with special warranty for the land purchased by her in the bill and proceedings mentioned all the purchase money thereof being $732.20 having been paid in full. Now therefore this deed made this 17th day of January in the year 1900 between Thomas Croxton special comr. as aforesaid of the one part and the said Mary A. Wright of the other part: Witnesseth: that for and in consideration of the premises and of One dollar paid

to him the said Croxton at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said Croxton commissioner doth grant unto the said Mary A. Wright with special warranty all that certain tract or parcel of land purchased by her in this cause, lying around and embracing the dwellings with a small parcel of woodland lying across the main road, the whole estimated to contain fifty acres more or less being a part of the land devised by Amos Cauthorn to John J. Cauthorn. Witness the following signature and seal this 17th day of January in the year 1900.

Th. Croxton

State of Virginia County of Essex, to wit:

I, H. Southworth Clerk of the County court for the county aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Thomas Croxton whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date on the 17" day of January 1900 has acknowledged the same before me in my county aforesaid. Given under my hand this 17" day of January 1900.

H. Southworth Clerk.

Virginia In Essex County Court Clerk's office January 24, 1900.

This deed was presented and with the certificate annexed and U.S. Internal Revenue Stamps amounting to One dollar affixed and canceled, admitted to record at 9 O'clock A.M.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

This record indicates that Mary Ann (Jones) Wright survived until at least January 17, 1900.

On April 13, 1900, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 60/182 the heirs of Mary A. Wright sold to Willis Green the 50 cares purchased by Essex County Deed 60/60:

"This deed made and entered into this 13 day of April in the year 1900 between Geo. Wright and Lula his wife, Mrs. A. W. Ferry, O. S. Wright and Dulcie his wife, E. L. Wright, W. E. Wright Ila W. Ware & R. L. Ware Jr. her husband, heirs at law of Mary A. Wright decd late of Essex county Va of the one part and Willis Green of the other part of the County of Essex State of Virginia. Witnesseth: that the parties of the one part for and in consideration of Two hundred and fifty dollars to them in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged; do grant unto the party of the other part, Willis Green with general warranty all that certain tract or parcel of

landlying in Essex county Va being the tract of land purchased by Mary A. Wright in the chancery cause of Trice v Boughton and convey to the said Mary A. Wright by Thomas Croxton special Comr in the said cause by deed bearing date on the 17th day of January in the year 1900 and of record in the clerks office of Essex county court D B. 60 pg. 60. The said tract hereby intended to be conveyed is estimated to contain fifty acres more or less, lying around and embracing the dwellings with a small piece of woodland lying across the main road and is a part of the land devised by Amos Cauthorn to John J. Cauthorn; together with all appurtenances thereto belonging to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land unto the said Willis Green his heirs and assigns forever. Witness the following signatures and seals the day and year first above written.

Geo. Wright
Lula Wright
E. L. Wright
O. S. Wright
Dulcie Wright
W. E. Wright
Alice W. Ferry
Ila W. Ware
R. L. Ware Jr.

State of Virginia Orange county to wit

I, B. W. Thurman a Notary Public in and for said county do certify that Geo Wright and his wife Lula Wright and E. L. Wright whose names are signed to the above writing bearing date 13th day of April 1900 this day personally appeared before me in my county and acknowledged the same. Given under my hand this 19th day of April 1900.

B. W. Thurman N.P.

State of Virginia City of Richmond to wit.

I, Eugene Jones, a Notary Public for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that O. S. Wright and Dulce Wright his wife whose names are signed to the foregoing writing bearing date on the 13th day of April 1900 have acknowledged the same before me in my city aforesaid. Given under my hand this 23d day of April 1900.

Eugene Jones N.P.

State of Pennsylvania Dauphin County SS

I D. E. Maurer an Alderman in and for the City of Harrisburg County & state aforesaid do certify that W. E. Wright whose name is signed to the foregoing writing bearing date the 13" day of April A.D. 1900 has acknowledged the same before me in the City of Harrisburg Pennsylvania. Given under my hand and official seal this 26" day of April A.D. 1900.

D. C. Maurer Alderman

State of Va. County of Essex to wit

I, Jas. M. Lewis a Comr in Chancery for the circuit court of Essex Co. do certify that Alice W. Ferry whose name is signed to the above instrument of writing this day personally appeared before me in my county and state aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be her writing. Given under my hand this 5t day of May 1900.

Jas. M. Lewis Comr in Chry.

State of Virginia County of Essex to wit

I, Wm. Campbell a Justice of the Peace in and for the county and state aforesaid do certify that Ila W. Ware and R. L. Ware Jr. whose names are signed to the above instrument of writing, personally appeared before me in my county and state aforesaid and acknowledged the signatures to be genuine and stated that they did not wish to recall same. Given under my hand this 8th day of May 1900.

Wm. Campbell J.P.

Virginia In Essex County Court Clerks office July 16" 1900.

This deed with U.S. Internal Revenue Stamps amounting to fifty cents affixed and canceled was presented and with the certificates annexed admitted to record at 9 O'clock A.M.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Edward L. Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary (Pitts) Wright, was born in 1816, married Mary Ann Jones on

September 28, 1843, was a physician, and died in 1860 and that 1860 Edward L. Wright and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright had the following children:

1) Orlander Scott Wright, born in 1844,
2) James Robert Wright, born in 1844,
3) Alice J. (Wirght) Ferry, born in 1846,
4) Edward Lawrence Wright, born in 1859,
5) Susan Matilda Wright, born in 1819(?), and
6) Laura Wright.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Edward Lawrence Wright and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright were the following:

1) James Robert Wright, born in about 1844 in Essex County, Virginia,
2) Alice J. (Wright) Ferry, born in about 1846 in Essex County, Virginia,
3) Ellen H. Wright, born in about 1847 in Virginia,
4) Susan M. Wright, born in about 1849 or 1850 in Virginia,
5) George Wright, born on June 6, 1851, in Virginia,
6) Orlando S. Wright, born in about 1855 in Virginia,
7) Laura M. Wright, born in about 1856 or 1857 in Virginia, and
8) Edward Lawrence Wright, Jr., born in August 1859 in Essex County, Virginia.

i. <u>James Robert Wright, His Wife Mary E. (Smith) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

James Robert Wright was a son of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1860 Edward Lawrence[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright in the Edward L. Wright household on September 27, 1850, and his age as 6 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, and his age as 16 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

The marriage record of Robert Wright and Mary E. Smith was dated on May 24, 1866, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Date: May 24th 1866
Place: Essex Co
Husb's Name: Robert Wright
Wife's Name: Mary E. Smith
Husb's Age: 22
Wife's Age: 18
Husb's Cond: Single
Wife's Cond: Single
Husb Born: Essex County Va
Wife Born: Essex County Va
Husb's Res: Essex County Va
Wife's Res: Essex County Va
Husb's Parents: Dr. Edward L Wright & Mary A Jones
Wife's Parents: William F Smith & Bettie L Wright
Husb's Occupation: Farmer
Minister: Peter Ainsley"

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Robert Wright with the following household on August 16, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Robert Wright	25	M	W	Farmer	
William E Wright	3	M	W	at Home	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
275	Virginia Virginia				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

This record indicates that Robert Wright was born in about 1845. The absence of Mary E. (Smith) Wright from the household indicates that she had died before August 16, 1870.

The marriage record of Mary E. Wright and R. L. Ware dated June 1, 1892, at Essex County, Virginia listed her parents as Robert Wright and M. E. Smith and her age as 23, indicating a date of birth in about 1869.

On April 13, 1900, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 60/182 the heirs of Mary A. Wright, including W. E. Wright and Ila W. Ware, sold to Willis Green 50 acres of land purchased by Mary A. Wright by Essex County Deed 60/60:

> "This deed made and entered into this 13 day of April in the year 1900 between Geo. Wright and Lula his wife, Mrs. A. W. Ferry, O. S. Wright and Dulcie his wife, E. L. Wright, W. E. Wright Ila W. Ware & R. L. Ware Jr. her husband, heirs at law of Mary A. Wright decd late of Essex county Va of the one part and Willis Green of the other part of the County of Essex State of Virginia. Witnesseth: that the parties of the one part for and in consideration of Two hundred and fifty dollars to them in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged; do grant unto the party of the other part, Willis Green with general warranty all that certain tract or parcel of landlying in Essex county Va being the tract of land purchased by Mary A. Wright in the chancery cause of Trice v Boughton and convey to the said Mary A. Wright by Thomas Croxton special Comr in the said cause by deed bearing date on the 17th day of January in the year 1900 and of record in the clerks office of Essex county court D B. 60 pg. 60. The said tract hereby intended to be conveyed is estimated to contain fifty acres more or less, lying around and embracing the dwellings with a small piece of woodland lying across the main road and is a part of the land devised by Amos Cauthorn to John J. Cauthorn; together with all appurtenances thereto belonging to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land unto the said Willis Green his heirs and assigns forever. Witness the following signatures and seals the day and year first above written.
>
> Geo. Wright
> Lula Wright
> E. L. Wright
> O. S. Wright
> Dulcie Wright
> W. E. Wright
> Alice W. Ferry
> Ila W. Ware
> R. L. Ware Jr.

State of Virginia Orange county to wit

I, B. W. Thurman a Notary Public in and for said county do certify that Geo Wright and his wife Lula Wright and E. L. Wright whose names are signed to the above writing bearing date 13th day of April 1900 this day personally appeared before me in my county and acknowledged the same. Given under my hand this 19th day of April 1900.

B. W. Thurman N.P.

State of Virginia City of Richmond to wit.

I, Eugene Jones, a Notary Public for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that O. S. Wright and Dulce Wright his wife whose names are signed to the foregoing writing bearing date on the 13th day of April 1900 have acknowledged the same before me in my city aforesaid. Given under my hand this 23d day of April 1900.

Eugene Jones N.P.

State of Pennsylvania Dauphin County SS

I D. E. Maurer an Alderman in and for the City of Harrisburg County & state aforesaid do certify that W. E. Wright whose name is signed to the foregoing writing bearing date the 13" day of April A.D. 1900 has acknowledged the same before me in the City of Harrisburg Pennsylvania. Given under my hand and official seal this 26" day of April A.D. 1900.

D. C. Maurer Alderman

State of Va. County of Essex to wit

I, Jas. M. Lewis a Comr in Chancery for the circuit court of Essex Co. do certify that Alice W. Ferry whose name is signed to the above instrument of writing this day personally appeared before me in my county and state aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be her writing. Given under my hand this 5t day of May 1900.

Jas. M. Lewis Comr in Chry.

State of Virginia County of Essex to wit

I, Wm. Campbell a Justice of the Peace in and for the county and state aforesaid do certify that Ila W. Ware and R. L. Ware Jr. whose names are signed to the above instrument of writing, personally appeared before me in my county and

state aforesaid and acknowledged the signatures to be genuine and stated that they did not wish to recall same. Given under my hand this 8th day of May 1900.

Wm. Campbell J.P.

Virginia In Essex County Court Clerks office July 16" 1900.

This deed with U.S. Internal Revenue Stamps amounting to fifty cents affixed and canceled was presented and with the certificates annexed admitted to record at 9 O'clock A.M.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

The absence of James Robert Wright from this deed and the inclusion of his children William E. Wright and Mary Evaline "Ila" (Wright) Ware indicates that James Robert Wright died before April 13, 1900.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that James Robert Wright was a son of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright, was born in 1844, and married Mary E. Smith in 1866 and that James Robert Wright and Mary E. (Smith) Wright had the following children:

1) William Edward Wright, and
2) Mary Evaline "Ila" (Wright) Ware.

ii. Alice J. (Wright) Ferry, Her Husband John T. Ferry, And Her Descendants

Alice J. (Wright) Ferry was a daughter of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1860 Edward Lawrence[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Alice Wright in the Edward L. Wright household on September 27, 1850, and her age as 4 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Alice J. Wright in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, and her age as 14 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Alice J. Wright in the Mary A. Wright household on July 18, 1870, her age and 24 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1846, and her occupation as teaching school.

The marriage record of Alice J. Wright and John T. Ferry was dated on June 22, 1870, at Essex County, Virginia:

"Date: June 22, 1870
Husband: John T. Ferry
Wife: Alice J. Wright
Age of Husband: 30
Age of Wife: 24
Status of Husband: Single
Status of Wife: Single
Birthplace of Husband: Baltimore City, Maryland
Birthplace of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Residence of Husband: Essex County, Virginia
Residence of Wife: Essex County, Virginia
Parents of Husband: Dennis Ferry and Elizabeth Smallwood
Parents of Wife: Edward L. Wright and Mary Ann Jones
Occupation of Husband: Merchant"

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Alice J. Wright was a daughter of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright, was born in 1846, and married John T. Ferry in 1870 and that Alice J. (Wright) Ferry and John T. Ferry had the following children:

1) Edward Lawrence Wright Ferry, and
2) George Wright.

iii. Ellen H. Wright

Ellen H. Wright was a daughter of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1860 Edward Lawrence[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Ellen Wright in the Edward L. Wright household on September 27, 1850, and her age as 3 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Ellen H. Wright in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, and her age as 13 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

iv. Susan M. Wright

Susan M. Wright was a daughter of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1860 Edward Lawrence[4])

The 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Susan Wright in the Edward L. Wright household on September 27, 1850, and her age as 1 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Susan M. Wright in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, and her age as 11 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Susan M. Wright in the Mary A. Wright household on July 18, 1870, and her age as 21 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed S. M. Wright in the M. A. Wright household on June 1, 1880, her relationship as daughter, and her age as 30 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1850.

v. 1923 George Wright Of Richmond City, His Wives ____ (____) Wright And Loulie B. (Evans) Wright, And His Descendants

1923 George Wright of Richmond City was a son of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1860 Edward Lawrence[4])

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, and his age as 9 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1851.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright in the Mary A. Wright household on July 18, 1870, his age as 19 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1851, and his occupation as farmer.

Virginia, Marriages, 1785-1940 from FamilySearch.org listed the marriage of George Wright and Loulie B. Evans on October 7, 1890, in Middlesex County, Virginia:

"Name:	George Wright
Birth Date:	1851
Birthplace:	Essex County
Age:	39
Spouse's Name:	Loulie B Evans
Spouse's Birth Date:	1867
Spouse's Birthplace:	Middlesex
Spouse's Age:	23
Event Date:	07 Oct 1890
Event Place:	Middlesex, Virginia
Father's Name:	Edwd L Wright
Mother's Name:	Mary A
Spouse's Father's Name:	J. M. Evans
Spouse's Mother's Name:	Ellen
Race:	White
Marital Status:	Widowed
Previous Wife's Name:	
Spouse's Race:	White
Spouse's Marital Status:	Single
Spouse's Previous Husband's Name:	
Indexing Project (Batch) Number:	M86878-5
System Origin:	Virginia-EASy
GS Film number:	32507
Reference ID:	p301"

This record indicates that George Wright had been previously married and that his first wife had died before October 7, 1900.

On April 13, 1900, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 60/182 the heirs of Mary A. Wright, including George Wright and his wife Lula Wright, sold to Willis Green 50 acres of land purchased by Mary A. Wright by Essex County Deed 60/60:

> "This deed made and entered into this 13 day of April in the year 1900 between Geo. Wright and Lula his wife, Mrs. A. W. Ferry, O. S. Wright and Dulcie his wife, E. L. Wright, W. E. Wright Ila W. Ware & R. L. Ware Jr. her husband, heirs

at law of Mary A. Wright decd late of Essex county Va of the one part and Willis Green of the other part of the County of Essex State of Virginia. Witnesseth: that the parties of the one part for and in consideration of Two hundred and fifty dollars to them in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged; do grant unto the party of the other part, Willis Green with general warranty all that certain tract or parcel of landlying in Essex county Va being the tract of land purchased by Mary A. Wright in the chancery cause of Trice v Boughton and convey to the said Mary A. Wright by Thomas Croxton special Comr in the said cause by deed bearing date on the 17th day of January in the year 1900 and of record in the clerks office of Essex county court D B. 60 pg. 60. The said tract hereby intended to be conveyed is estimated to contain fifty acres more or less, lying around and embracing the dwellings with a small piece of woodland lying across the main road and is a part of the land devised by Amos Cauthorn to John J. Cauthorn; together with all appurtenances thereto belonging to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land unto the said Willis Green his heirs and assigns forever. Witness the following signatures and seals the day and year first above written.

Geo. Wright
Lula Wright
E. L. Wright
O. S. Wright
Dulcie Wright
W. E. Wright
Alice W. Ferry
Ila W. Ware
R. L. Ware Jr.

State of Virginia Orange county to wit

I, B. W. Thurman a Notary Public in and for said county do certify that Geo Wright and his wife Lula Wright and E. L. Wright whose names are signed to the above writing bearing date 13th day of April 1900 this day personally appeared before me in my county and acknowledged the same. Given under my hand this 19th day of April 1900.

B. W. Thurman N.P.

State of Virginia City of Richmond to wit.

I, Eugene Jones, a Notary Public for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that O. S. Wright and Dulce Wright his wife whose names are signed to the foregoing writing bearing date on the 13th day of April 1900 have

acknowledged the same before me in my city aforesaid. Given under my hand this 23d day of April 1900.

Eugene Jones N.P.

State of Pennsylvania Dauphin County SS

I D. E. Maurer an Alderman in and for the City of Harrisburg County & state aforesaid do certify that W. E. Wright whose name is signed to the foregoing writing bearing date the 13" day of April A.D. 1900 has acknowledged the same before me in the City of Harrisburg Pennsylvania. Given under my hand and official seal this 26" day of April A.D. 1900.

D. C. Maurer Alderman

State of Va. County of Essex to wit

I, Jas. M. Lewis a Comr in Chancery for the circuit court of Essex Co. do certify that Alice W. Ferry whose name is signed to the above instrument of writing this day personally appeared before me in my county and state aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be her writing. Given under my hand this 5t day of May 1900.

Jas. M. Lewis Comr in Chry.

State of Virginia County of Essex to wit

I, Wm. Campbell a Justice of the Peace in and for the county and state aforesaid do certify that Ila W. Ware and R. L. Ware Jr. whose names are signed to the above instrument of writing, personally appeared before me in my county and state aforesaid and acknowledged the signatures to be genuine and stated that they did not wish to recall same. Given under my hand this 8th day of May 1900.

Wm. Campbell J.P.

Virginia In Essex County Court Clerks office July 16" 1900.

This deed with U.S. Internal Revenue Stamps amounting to fifty cents affixed and canceled was presented and with the certificates annexed admitted to record at 9 O'clock A.M.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

This record indicates that George Wright and Loulie B. (Evans) Wright resided on April 19, 1900, in Orange County, Virginia.

The 1900 Census for Orange County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on June 6, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		112	112	George Wright
				Lutie Wright
				Geo Wright
				Laura Wright
				Lawrence Wright
				Lizzie Meese

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	June	1851	48	M
Wife	W	F	Apl	1867	33	M
Son	W	M	Nov	1893	4	S
Daughter	W	F	Dec	1896	3	S
Brother	W	M	Aug	1859	40	S
Servant	B	F		1878	22	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
9	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
9	4	2	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			R R Conductor	0	.
			.	.	.
			.	.	.
			.	.	.
			.	.	12
			Cook	0	.

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	O	M	H	
yes	yes	yes				
no	no	yes				
no	no	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				

This record indicates that George Wright was born in June 1851 and that Loulie B. (Evans) Wright was born in April 1867.

The 1910 Census for Orange County, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household on April 18, 1910:

Line Number	Location: Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
96	Baker Street		68	69	George Wright Loulie Wright George E Wright Laura M Wright Richard B Wright

Relationship: Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Personal Description: Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Mother of how many children: Number born	Number now living
Head	M	W	58	M2	20	.	.
Wife	F	W	43	M1	20	5	3
Son	M	W	S	.	.	.	.
Daughter	F	W	S	.	.	.	.
Son	M	W	S	.	.	.	.

Nativity: Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.			Citizenship	
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		

Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Occupation: Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	Occupation: General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Occupation: Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Train master	Railroad	W
English	none		
English	none		
English	none		
.	none		

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee. Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Occupation (cont'd) If an employee. Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Education: Whether able to read	Education: Whether able to write	Education: Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
no	0	yes	yes	.
.	.	yes	yes	.
.	.	yes	yes	yes
.	.	yes	yes	yes
.	.	.	.	no

Ownership of Home: Owned or Rented	Ownership of Home: Owned free or mortgaged	Ownership of Home: Farm or house	Number of farm schedule	Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
O	F	F				

This record indicates that George Wright was born in about 1852 and that Loulie B. (Evans) Wright was born in about 1867.

The 1920 Census for Richmond City, Virginia, listed George Wright with the following household:

Line number	Location: Street, avenue, road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling Number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
47	Hanover Avenue	2408	308	401	George Wright
					Lulie Wright
					George Wright Jr.
					Laura N Street
					Walter Street
					Richard B Wright
					Grace Page

Relation. Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Tenure. Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Personal Description: Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	O	M	M	W	68	M
Wife			F	W	52	M
Son			M	W	25	S
Daughter			F	W	23	M
Son-in-law			M	W	26	M
Son			M	W	15	S
Servant			F	B	17	S

Citizenship: Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Education: Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
			.	Yes	Yes
			.	Yes	Yes
			.	Yes	Yes
			.	Yes	Yes
			.	Yes	Yes
			Yes	Yes	Yes
			No	Yes	Yes

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person		Father		Mother	
Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	

Occupation

Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
Yes	Conductor	Railway	W	
Yes	none	.	.	
Yes	Secretary	Private	W	
Yes	None	.	.	
Yes	Asst Cashier	Bank	W	
Yes	None	.	.	
Yes	Servant	Private family	W	

This record indicates that George Wright was born in about 1852 and that Loulie B. (Evans) Wright was born in about 1868.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone for George Wright and Loulie B. Wright in the Oakwood Cemetery, Richmond City, Virginia:

"George Wright
June 6, 1851,
April 13, 1923.

Loulie B. Wright
April 1, 1867,
Sept. 13, 1929."

vi. 1930 Orlando S. Wright Of Essex County, His Wife Dulcie S. (____) Wright, And His Descendants

1930 Orlando S. Wright of Essex County was a son of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1860 Edward Lawrence[4])

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Orlando S. Wright in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, and his age as 5 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1855.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed George Wright in the Mary A. Wright household on July 18, 1870, and his age as 19 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1855.

On April 13, 1900, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 60/182 the heirs of Mary A. Wright, including O. S. Wright and his wife Dulce (____) Wright, sold to Willis Green 50 acres of land purchased by Mary A. Wright by Essex County Deed 60/60:

> "This deed made and entered into this 13 day of April in the year 1900 between Geo. Wright and Lula his wife, Mrs. A. W. Ferry, O. S. Wright and Dulcie his wife, E. L. Wright, W. E. Wright Ila W. Ware & R. L. Ware Jr. her husband, heirs at law of Mary A. Wright decd late of Essex county Va of the one part and Willis Green of the other part of the County of Essex State of Virginia. Witnesseth: that the parties of the one part for and in consideration of Two hundred and fifty dollars to them in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged; do grant unto the party of the other part, Willis Green with general warranty all that certain tract or parcel of landlying in Essex county Va being the tract of land purchased by Mary A. Wright in the chancery cause of Trice v Boughton and convey to the said Mary A. Wright by Thomas Croxton special Comr in the said cause by deed bearing date on the 17th day of January in the year 1900 and of record in the clerks office of Essex county court D B. 60 pg. 60. The said tract hereby intended to be conveyed is estimated to contain fifty acres more or less, lying around and embracing the dwellings with a small piece of woodland lying across the main road and is a part of the land devised by Amos Cauthorn to John J. Cauthorn; together with all appurtenances thereto belonging to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of

land unto the said Willis Green his heirs and assigns forever. Witness the following signatures and seals the day and year first above written.

Geo. Wright
Lula Wright
E. L. Wright
O. S. Wright
Dulcie Wright
W. E. Wright
Alice W. Ferry
Ila W. Ware
R. L. Ware Jr.

State of Virginia Orange county to wit

I, B. W. Thurman a Notary Public in and for said county do certify that Geo Wright and his wife Lula Wright and E. L. Wright whose names are signed to the above writing bearing date 13th day of April 1900 this day personally appeared before me in my county and acknowledged the same. Given under my hand this 19th day of April 1900.

B. W. Thurman N.P.

State of Virginia City of Richmond to wit.

I, Eugene Jones, a Notary Public for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that O. S. Wright and Dulce Wright his wife whose names are signed to the foregoing writing bearing date on the 13th day of April 1900 have acknowledged the same before me in my city aforesaid. Given under my hand this 23d day of April 1900.

Eugene Jones N.P.

State of Pennsylvania Dauphin County SS

I D. E. Maurer an Alderman in and for the City of Harrisburg County & state aforesaid do certify that W. E. Wright whose name is signed to the foregoing writing bearing date the 13" day of April A.D. 1900 has acknowledged the same before me in the City of Harrisburg Pennsylvania. Given under my hand and official seal this 26" day of April A.D. 1900.

D. C. Maurer Alderman

State of Va. County of Essex to wit

I, Jas. M. Lewis a Comr in Chancery for the circuit court of Essex Co. do certify that Alice W. Ferry whose name is signed to the above instrument of writing this day personally appeared before me in my county and state aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be her writing. Given under my hand this 5t day of May 1900.

Jas. M. Lewis Comr in Chry.

State of Virginia County of Essex to wit

I, Wm. Campbell a Justice of the Peace in and for the county and state aforesaid do certify that Ila W. Ware and R. L. Ware Jr. whose names are signed to the above instrument of writing, personally appeared before me in my county and state aforesaid and acknowledged the signatures to be genuine and stated that they did not wish to recall same. Given under my hand this 8th day of May 1900.

Wm. Campbell J.P.

Virginia In Essex County Court Clerks office July 16" 1900.

This deed with U.S. Internal Revenue Stamps amounting to fifty cents affixed and canceled was presented and with the certificates annexed admitted to record at 9 O'clock A.M.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

This record indicates that Orlanda S. Wright had married Dulcie (____) Wright and resided on April 23, 1900, in Richmond City, Virginia.

The 1900 Census for Richmond City, Virginia, listed Olanda S. Wright with the following household on June 8, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
Main St	100	113	139	Olanda S. Wright Dulce Wright Harold G Wright George H Wright Bettie Benson

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	June	1857	42	M
Wife	W	F	Oct	1869	30	M
Son	W	M	Apr	1893	6	S
Son	W	M	Oct	1899	7/12	S
Boarder	W	F	Aug	1871	28	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
8	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
8	2	2	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
.	.	.	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Rec Clerk Adam Co	0	
			.	.	
			.	.	
			.	.	
			.	.	

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
Yes	Yes	Yes				
Yes	Yes	Yes				
.	.	.				
.	.	.				
Yes	Yes	Yes				

This record indicates that Orlando S. Wright was born in June 1857 and that Dulce (____) Wright was born in October 1869 and that they were married in about 1892.

The 1910 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Orlando S. Wright with the following household on May 7, 1910:

	Location				Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
Line Number	Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	
84	Road From Dunnville to Briggs		313	319	Orlando S. Wright Dulce S. Wright Harold G Wright John S. Wright Mary W. Wright

Relationship	Personal Description						
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number now living
Head	M	W	52	M	17	.	.
Wife	F	W	40	M	17	4	3
Son	M	W	16	S	.	.	.
Son	M	W	6	S	.	.	.
Daughter	F	W	6	S	.	.	.

Nativity			Citizenship	
Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.				
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia		

	Occupation		
Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Farmer	General Farm	OA
English	none		
English	none		
.	none		
.	none		

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee.		Education		
Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Whether able to read	Whether able to write	Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
		yes	yes	.
		yes	yes	.
		yes	yes	yes
		.	.	no
		.	.	no

Ownership of Home				Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
Owned or Rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule			
R		F	299			

This record indicates that Orlando S. Wright was born in about 1858 and that Dulce (____) Wright was born in about 1870.

The 1920 Census for Richmond City, Virginia, listed Orlando S. Wright with the following household on January 7, 1920:

	Location				
Line number	Street, avenue, road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling Number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
99	East Broad		98	133	Orlando S. Wright Dulce S. Wright
	Street				John S. Wright Mary W. Wright

Relation.	Tenure.		Personal Description			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	R		M	W	62	M
Wife			F	W	50	M
Son			M	W	16	S
Daughter			F	W	14	S

Citizenship			Education		
Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			yes	yes	yes
			yes	yes	yes

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person		Father		Mother	
Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	
Virginia		Virginia		Virginia	

Occupation

Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
yes	Clerk	Express Office	W	
yes	none	.	.	
yes	Clerk	Mchinery Supply Co	W	
yes	none	.	.	

This record indicates that Orlando S. Wright was born in about 1858 and that Dulcie (____) Wright was born in about 1870.

The 1930 Census for Richmond City, Virginia, listed Orlando S. Wright with the following household on April 12, 1930:

Place of Abode				
Street, avenue, road etc.	House number (in cities or towns)	Number of dwelling house in order of visitation	Number of family in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 1, 1930 was with this family. Enter surname first, then given name, and middle initial (if any). Omit children born since April 1, 1930
Third Avenue	3101	160	174	Orlando S. Wright Dulce S. Wright Mary W Wright John S Wright Blanche C Wright

Relation.	Home Data			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family	Home owned or rented	Value of home if owned, or monthly rental if rented	Radio set	Does this family live on a farm
Head	O	$7,000		no
Wife				
Daughter				
Son				
Daughter in law				

Personal Description					Education	
Sex	Color or race	Age at last birthday	Marital condition	Age at at first marriage	Attended school or college any time since September 1, 1929	Whether able to read and write
M	W	74	M	37	no	yes
F	W	60	M	22	no	yes
F	W	25	S	.	no	yes
M	W	26	M	24	no	yes
F	W	23	M	23	no	yes

Place of Birth

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated and of his or her parents. If born in the U.S., give state or territory. If of foreign birth, give county in which birthplace is now situated.

Person	Father	Mother
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

Mother Tongue or Native Language				Citizenship, etc.		
Language spoken in home before coming to the United States	Code (for office use only) State or M.T.	Country	Nativity	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Natural-ization	Able to speak English
						yes
						yes
						yes
						yes
						yes

Occupation and Industry			Employment	
Occupation Trade, profession, or particular type of work, as spinner, salesman, etc.	Industry Industry or business, as cotton mill, dry goods store, etc.	Code (for office use only)	Whether actually at work yesterday (or last regular working day) Yes or no	If not, line number on Unemployment
Watchman	Steamship Line(?)		yes	
none	.		.	
Clerk	Insurance		yes	
Driver & office	Cleaning store		yes	
Typist	Wholesale drug store		yes	

Veterans		
Whether a veteran of U.S. military or naval forces		
Yes or no	What war or expedition	Number of farm schedule
no		
.		
.		
no		
.		

This record indicates that Orlando S. Wright was born in about 1856 and that Dulcie (____) Wright was born in about 1870.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Orlando S. Wright in the Rappahannock Cemetery, Dunnsville, Essex County, Virginia:

"Birth: unknown
Death: 1930

Husband of Dulcie Smith Wright, Father of two sons, John and Harold, and two daughters, Mary, and Blanche.

Burial:
Rappahannock Cemetery
Dunnsville
Essex County
Virginia, USA"

vii. Laura M. Wright

Laura M. Wright was a daughter of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1860 Edward Lawrence[4])

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Laura M. Wright in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, and her age as 3 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1857.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Laura M. Wright in the Mary A. Wright household on July 18, 1870, and her age as 13 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1857.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed L. M. Wright in the M. A. Wright household on June 1, 1880, her relationship as daughter, and her age as 24 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1856.

viii. Edward Lawrence Wright, Jr.

Edward Lawrence Wright, Jr., was a son of 1860 Edward Lawrence Wright of Essex County and Mary Ann (Jones) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3], 1860 Edward Lawrence[4])

The birth record of Edward Lawrence Wright, son of Edward and Mary Ann Wright, was dated in August 1859 in Essex County, Virginia:

"Date of Birth:	Augt 1859
Name of Child:	Edward Lawrence Wright
White:	X
Colored:	
Sex:	
Male:	X
Female:	
Born:	
Alive:	X
Dead:	
Place of Birth:	
Father's Name:	Edward Wright
Father's Occupation:	
Father's Residence:	
Mother's Name:	Mary Ann
How many at birth:	1
Informant:	Ed.'d Wright
Relation of Informant:	Father"

The 1860 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Edward L. Wright, Jr., in the E. L. Wright household on August 30, 1860, his age as 1 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1859.

The 1870 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Lawrence Wright in the Mary A. Wright household on July 18, 1870, and his age as 11 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1859.

The 1880 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed E. L. Wright in the M. A. Wright household on June 1, 1880, his relationship as son, and his age as 20 and born in Virginia, indicating a date of birth in about 1860.

On April 13, 1900, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 60/182 the heirs of Mary A. Wright, including E. L.. Wright, sold to Willis Green 50 acres of land purchased by Mary A. Wright by Essex County Deed 60/60:

> "This deed made and entered into this 13 day of April in the year 1900 between Geo. Wright and Lula his wife, Mrs. A. W. Ferry, O. S. Wright and Dulcie his wife, E. L. Wright, W. E. Wright Ila W. Ware & R. L. Ware Jr. her husband, heirs at law of Mary A. Wright decd late of Essex county Va of the one part and Willis Green of the other part of the County of Essex State of Virginia. Witnesseth: that the parties of the one part for and in consideration of Two hundred and fifty dollars to them in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged; do grant unto the party of the other part, Willis Green with general warranty all that certain tract or parcel of landlying in Essex county Va being the tract of land purchased by Mary A. Wright in the chancery cause of Trice v Boughton and convey to the said Mary A. Wright by Thomas Croxton special Comr in the said cause by deed bearing date on the 17th day of January in the year 1900 and of record in the clerks office of Essex county court D B. 60 pg. 60. The said tract hereby intended to be conveyed is estimated to contain fifty acres more or less, lying around and embracing the dwellings with a small piece of woodland lying across the main road and is a part of the land devised by Amos Cauthorn to John J. Cauthorn; together with all appurtenances thereto belonging to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land unto the said Willis Green his heirs and assigns forever. Witness the following signatures and seals the day and year first above written.
>
> Geo. Wright
> Lula Wright
> E. L. Wright
> O. S. Wright
> Dulcie Wright
> W. E. Wright
> Alice W. Ferry
> Ila W. Ware
> R. L. Ware Jr.
>
> State of Virginia Orange county to wit
>
> I, B. W. Thurman a Notary Public in and for said county do certify that Geo Wright and his wife Lula Wright and E. L. Wright whose names are signed to the above writing bearing date 13th day of April 1900 this day personally appeared before me in my county and acknowledged the same. Given under my hand this 19th day of April 1900.
>
> B. W. Thurman N.P.

State of Virginia City of Richmond to wit.

I, Eugene Jones, a Notary Public for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that O. S. Wright and Dulce Wright his wife whose names are signed to the foregoing writing bearing date on the 13th day of April 1900 have acknowledged the same before me in my city aforesaid. Given under my hand this 23d day of April 1900.

Eugene Jones N.P.

State of Pennsylvania Dauphin County SS

I D. E. Maurer an Alderman in and for the City of Harrisburg County & state aforesaid do certify that W. E. Wright whose name is signed to the foregoing writing bearing date the 13" day of April A.D. 1900 has acknowledged the same before me in the City of Harrisburg Pennsylvania. Given under my hand and official seal this 26" day of April A.D. 1900.

D. C. Maurer Alderman

State of Va. County of Essex to wit

I, Jas. M. Lewis a Comr in Chancery for the circuit court of Essex Co. do certify that Alice W. Ferry whose name is signed to the above instrument of writing this day personally appeared before me in my county and state aforesaid and acknowledged the same to be her writing. Given under my hand this 5t day of May 1900.

Jas. M. Lewis Comr in Chry.

State of Virginia County of Essex to wit

I, Wm. Campbell a Justice of the Peace in and for the county and state aforesaid do certify that Ila W. Ware and R. L. Ware Jr. whose names are signed to the above instrument of writing, personally appeared before me in my county and state aforesaid and acknowledged the signatures to be genuine and stated that they did not wish to recall same. Given under my hand this 8th day of May 1900.

Wm. Campbell J.P.

Virginia In Essex County Court Clerks office July 16" 1900.

This deed with U.S. Internal Revenue Stamps amounting to fifty cents affixed and canceled was presented and with the certificates annexed admitted to record at 9 O'clock A.M.

Teste:
H. Southworth clerk"

This record indicates that Edward Lawrence Wright resided on April 19, 1900, in Orange County, Virginia.

The 1900 Census for Orange County, Virginia, listed Lawrence Wright in the George Wright household on June 6, 1900, his relationship as brother, and his birth in August 1859 in Virginia.

I. Susan Matilda Wright

Susan Matilda Wright was a son of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County and Mary "Polly" (Pitts) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1795/96 Benjamin[2], 1840 Thomas[3])

In her letter dated August 23, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed a copy of the Family Bible of 1840 Thomas Wright of Essex County which was in 1989 in the possession of Mr. Wright Gouldin of Tappahannock, Virginia, and which listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record
. . . .
Births
. . . .
Susan M. Wright born 29th June 1819
. . . .
Deaths
. . . .

[Columbus Statesman, Jan. 25.

Died, on the 4th December last, in the 22nd year of her age, Miss Susan Matilda Wright, of Essex County. She departed this life amid the lamentations of friends, the tears of relations and the sobs of a bereaved and disconsolate mother. She was the youngest daughter, as well as the youngest child, of Mr. Thomas Wright; he but a short time deceased. . . .
. . . ."

The Family Bible of Colonel George Wright, Virginia State Library Accession No. 25073, listed the following information for his family:

"Family Record

. . . .

Births

. . . .

Susan Matilda Wright 29th June 1819

. . . .

Deaths

. . . .

Susan Matilda Wright 4th December 1840

. . . ."

The will of Benjamin Wright dated on May 16, 1830, probated on November 15, 1830, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 22/163, listed Susan Wright as his sister:

"It is my Wish when I die, that what Money or bonds I leave may be divided in the following manner I give to my Little sister Susan Wright five hundred dollars, ..."

J. Richard Wright

Richard Wright was a son of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright. (1769 George[1])

The will of 1769 George Wright dated September 29, 1760, and probated on December 18, 1769, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 12/378 listed Richard Wright as one of his sons:

". . . . my will and desire is that after my wife Decease that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given (viz) Lands Negroes and all other pos'ns my Goods & chattels be sold and the money arising by such sale to be equally Divided between my ten other children to wit James Wright William Wright Saml. Wright Benja. Wright Griffin Wright Richd Wright Stephen Wright Ann Cox Susannah Gatewood & Eliza Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

On February 4, 1771, at Charlotte County, Virginia, Deed 2/405 Richard Wright purchased 168 acres of land from Elizabeth Ashburn:

"This Indenture made this fourth day of February in the year of our Lord God one Thousand seven hundred & seventy one Between John Ashburn of the County of Charlotte & Parish of Cornwall of the one part and Richard Wright of the same County and Parish of the other part Witnesseth that the said John Ashburn for and in Consideration of the sum of Forty two pounds Current money to him in

hand paid by the said Richard Wright the Receipt whereof he the said John Ashburn doth hereby acknowledge hath given Granted, Bargained and sold and by these Presents doth give grant Bargain and Sell unto the said Richard Wright his heirs & assigns forever one certain Tract piece or parcel of Land Situate Lying and being in the County of Charlotte on the branches of Little Ronoke Containing by Estimation one hundred & Sixty Eight Acres be the same more or Less and bounded by the Lines of John Nelson Edmund Archdeacon, William Nelson, William Russell, and James Bowers and Thence along Ashburns Line to the Begining Together with all its appurtenances thereunto belonging & also the Revertion and Revertions, Remainder and Remainders, Rents & Services of The said Land & Premisses and of Every part and parcel thereof and all the Estate Right, Title, Interest, use, Trust, property, Claim & Demand whatsoever of him the said John Ashburn, of, in, & to, the said Tract or parcel of Land and every part thereof. To have and to hold the said Tract or parcel of Land and every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances unto the said Richard Wright his heirs & assignes forever to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Richard Wright his heirs and assignes forever and the said John Ashburn for himself and his heirs, The said Messuage Tenement and premisses and every part thereof against him the said John Ashburn and his heirs and against all and every other person or persons whatsoever to the said Richard Wright his heirs and assignes Shall and will Warrand & forever Defend by these Presents In Witness whereof the said John Ashburn hath hereunto set his hand and affix't his Seal the day & year first above written

Signed, Sealed & Delivered in Presence of — John Ashburn

Memorandum the words "his heirs & assignes forever" Enterlined between "The fifth and sixth Lines, also these words, "Containing by Estimation "one Hundred & Sixty Eight Acres be the same more or Less" Between the Sixth & seventh Lines before Sign'd or Sealed

Elizabeth her X mark Ashburn

Sion Spencer, Peter Harlee, George Thompson

Memorandum That on the day and year first within written Quiet and Peaceable Possession of the within mentioned Land and Premisses was given and made by

John Ashburn to Richard Wright, According to the true Intent and meaning of the within Deed.

John Ashburn

Elizabeth her X mark Ashburn

In presence of Sion Spencer, Peter Harlee, George Thompson

At a Court held for Charlotte County the fourth day of February 1771 The within written Indenture & the Memorandum hereon Indorsed was proved by the oaths of the three Witnesses hereto Subscribed and Ordered to be Recorded.

Test
Tho. Read Clk.

Truly Recorded

Tho. Read C.C."

In May 1772, at Charlotte County, Virginia, Court Order Book 3/72 Richard Wright was listed as serving on a grand jury.

On August 4, 1772, at Charlotte County, Virginia, Court Order Book 3/150 Richard Wright was listed as serving on a jury.

On October 6, 1772 at Charlotte County, Virginia, Court Order Book 3/181 Richard Wright was listed as a common bail in the case of John Marshall v. George Butlar.

On December 7, 1772, at Charlotte County, Virginia, Court Order Book 3/221 Richard Wright was appointed one of the constables of the county.

On March 2, 1773, at Charlotte County, Virginia, Court Order Book 3/278 judgment was granted in favor of John Marshall as assignee of Sion Spencer against Richard Wright and Luther Hopper.

On May 3, 1773, at Charlotte County, Virginia, Court Order Book 3/313 Richard Wright was presented to court for retailing liquors without a license.

On July 5, 1773, at Charlotte County, Virginia, Deed 3/232 Richard Wright executed a deed of trust as to his 168 acres of land to Jonathan Leitch to secure certain debts:

"This Indenture made on this fifth day of July in the year of Christ one Thousand seven hundred & Twenty three, Between Richard Wright of the County of Charlotte of the one part & John Leitch of the County of Chesterfield of the other part Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of forty four pounds Sixteen Shillings and two Pence lawful money of Virginia which he the said Richard is Justly indebted to the said John Leitch for Dreghorne Murdock & Co and honestly desires to Secure & pay to him for them and for and in the further consideration of the sum of five Shillings like money to the said Richard in hand paid by the said John Leitch, at and before the Sealing & Delivery of these presents the Receipt whereof the said Richard Wright doth hereby Acknowledge, and thereof and of every part thereof does Exonerate and discharge the said John Leitch his heirs executors, admrs and assignes and every of them by these presents he the said Richard Wright hath granted bargain'd Sold & confirm'd and by these presents, does grant, bargain, Sell & confirm to the said John Leitch his heirs and assignes forever a certain Tract of Land, lying & being in the parish of Cornwall & County aforesaid, containing one hundred & Sixty eight Acres (be the same more or less) is the land by the said Richard Wright purchased of John Ashborne, & convey'd to him by Deed from the said Ashborne & Recorded in Charlotte County Court and is bounded as in and by the said Deed is expressed, & reference being thereto had may appear also one Negro Man Slave named Syrus, now in the sd Richard Wrights possession with all the appurtenances, belonging or in any wise appurtaining to the Premises hereby granted intended to be granted. And the Revertion and Revertions, remainder and Remainders and all Services benefits & profits of the said Land & premises and all Rights, claims interests and Securitys relating to the same To have & To hold the said Land and premises with the said Slave unto the said John Leitch his heirs & assigns forever to the only proper use & behoof of the said Jno. Leitch his heirs & assignes forever and the said Richard Wright does hereby grant for himself & his heirs that he and his heirs & every of them, shall and will warrant and forever defend the said Land & Premises and every part and Article thereof with all and Singular their rights & appurtenances unto the said John Leitch (with the said Slave) his heirs & assigns forever against him the said Richard and his heirs and every of them and against every other Person, whomsoever, Upon Trust Nevertheless that the said John Leitch his heirs, Exors Administrators or assignes shall after the 25th day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy three as soon thereafter as the said John Leitch shall think proper, or the said Richard his heirs Exors or Admrs shall request (which of these two circumstances shall first happen) sell for the best price that can be gotten after giving Ten days publick Notice the said Land & Premises and out of the money arising from such sale discharge pay and satisfy the within mentioned Sum of Forty four pounds 16/2 with Lawful Interest from this date 'til the same shall be fully discharged & expences Attending the drawing and recording this Indenture, and the Contingent charges of the Sales as aforesaid and other Necessary expences that shall attend the Securing and obtaining the within mentioned money or performing anything that is or may be

necessary on account of this Indenture and that the said John Leitch his heirs executors Admrs or assignes shall pay or cause to be paid, the overplus if any remain from such Sale to the said Richard his heirs Executors or Administrators or to his or their Order. In Witness whereof the Said Richard Wright has hereto Set his hand and Seal on the day and year first within written.

Sealed and Delivered in presence of — Richard Wright

At a Court held for Charlotte County the 5th day of July 1773

The above written Deed of Trust was Acknowledged by the said Richard Wright to be his Act & Deed & Ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
Thos Read Clk.

Truly Recorded

Teste
Thos Read Clk."

On October 4, 1773, at Charlotte County, Virginia, Court Order Book 3/436 Thomas Spencer and Josiah Morton were appointed to let the building of a bridge over the Little Roanoke River at Richard Wright's ordinary.

On November 1, 1773, at Charlotte County, Virginia, Court Order Book 3/479 Richard Wright was presented in court for selling liquors without a license.

The will of Elizabeth (____) Wright dated July 10, 1775, and probated on September 18, 1775, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 13/18 listed Richard Wright as one of her children:

"In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Wright of Essex County . . . . make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth (Viz.)
. . . .
Item I Give to my son Richard Wright one Feather Bed and Furniture the Bed that I have made since my Husband Died to him and his heirs forever
. . . .
Item, my Will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given Vizt Lands and all other my Goods be sold and the Money Ariseing by such sale to be Equally Divided Between my seven Children to wit James Wright, Benjamin Wright Griffin Wright, Richard Wright Stephen Wright Susannah Gatewood Elizabeth Cox lastly I Constitute and appoint my three sons James Wright Richard Wright and Stephen Wright my Executors to this my last

Will and Testament Revoking all other Will or Wills heretofore by me made and acknowledge this to be my Will and no other In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this tenth Day July one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Five
. . . ."

On about February 28, 1790, at Prince Edward County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers, an accounting of the status of a bond due from Duncan & Morris to the executors of Richard Wright was filed:

"State of Duncan & morris Bond due to Rd. wrights exors. 21st June 1785

1785		
June 21st	Amt. Bond	£229. 9. 7
	By mistate in taking the Bond	21. 8 4
		208: 1: 3
Augt 13	Interest	1:14.
		209.15: 3
	pd. sherff Lee	20.14. 1
		189: 1. 2
	Int. to Oct 3 88	29.18.
	Int. now owing one £10.18	218.19. 2
Octr 23	pd sheriff Jeff's purchase	67:18.10
		151. 0: 4
1789	Int. on £140. to march	2:14.
		153.14. 4
	pd. Sheriff JW	31. 8.
		122. 6. 4
89	Int. to Apr	1. .
		6. 4
	payments made to J Wilson to) two times the Amt.)	35. 5. 3
		88: 1: 1
89 Septr.	Int.	1.13.
		89:14: 1
	paid at two times	25.11: 5
		64. 2. 8
Jany 90	Int. to	16.
		64:18. 8
	paid at 2 paymts 1st & 28 Feby	19. 2. 8
		45:16. 0

Amt. of Balld. Bro Over	£45:16
1789 Feby 18th V. By Oath 4 of Jabelson's	
2 fees 30/L Commissions £5.14d	9. 4
	£36.12"

This record indicates that Richard Wright had died prior to June 21, 1785.

On about May 13, 1794, at Prince Edward County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers, Matthew Cox, as executor of the will of Richard Wright, filed a complaint in Buckingham County against James Duncan, John Duncan, Nathaniel Morris, and Benjamin Morris for payment of a debt of 458£, 19 shillings, and 2 pence:

> "Buckingham County to wit Matthew Cox surviving Executor of Richard Wright deceased complains of James Duncan, John Duncan, Nathaniel Morris & Benjamin Morris in custody of the Sheriff of the said county (within the jurisdiction of the district court held at prince Edward court house for the counties of Prince Edward, Buckingham, Charlotte, Halifax & cumberland) of a plea that they the said defendants render unto the said plaintiff the sum of four hundred and fifty eight pounds nineteen shillings and two pence current money which they detain from him for that whereas Thomas Wright & Matthew Cox executors of Richard Wright deceased in the life time of the said Thomas Wright heretofore, that is to say in the county court of Buckingham within the Jurisdiction of the said district court on the __ day of August 1789 recovered against the said James Duncan, John Duncan, Nathaniel Morris & Benjamin Morris the said sum of four hundred and fifty eight pounds nineteen shillings and two pence, but to be discharged by the payment of two hundred and twenty nine pounds nine shillings & seven pence like money with lawfull interest thereon from the 21st day of June 1785 till paid and the costs to wit Clerk's fees 167 bbs Gross tobo. Sheriff 100 bbs, Lawyer's fee & tax 16/6 whereof the defendants were convicted, as by the record and proceedings thereof, is remaining in the said county court of Buckingham, may more fully and at large appear; which said Judgment still remains in full force and effect, not being reversed or in any wise satisfyed, and the said plaintiff hath not yet obtained any execution on the said Judgment, either in the life time of the said Thomas Wright deceased or since his death, thereby an action hath accrued to the said plaintiff to demand of the said defendants the amount of the said Judgments aforesaid. Yet the said defendants altho often requested, the said Judgment to pay and satisfy the same they have refused & still do refuse to the damage of the plaintiff fifty pounds; and therefore he brings suit &c.
>
> Taylor p.q.

On May 13, 1794, at Prince Edward County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers, a summons was issued against James Duncan, John Duncan, Nathaniel

Morris, and Benjamin Morris to answer the complaint of Matthew Cox, as executor of the will of Richard Wright, for payment of a debt of 458£, 19 shillings, and 2 pence:

> "The Commonwealth of Virginia To the Sherif of Buckingham County greeting we command you as at another time we have commanded you that you take James Duncan John Duncan, Nathaniel Morris and Benjamin Morris if they be found within your bailiwick & them safely keep so that you have their bodys before our Judges of our District Court at the next Court to be holden at Prince Edward Courthouse to answer Matthew Cox surviving Executor of Richard Wright deceased of a plea of debt for four hundred and fifty eight pounds nineteen shillings and two pence damage fifty pounds & have then their this writ Witness Francis Watkins Clerk of the said Court at the Court house the 13th day of May 1794 in the 18th year of the Commonwealth.
>
> Watkins CSC"

On about May 13, 1794, at Prince Edward County, Virginia, County Court Loose Papers, John Duncan, Nathaniel Morris, and Benjamin Morris filed their surety bond to secure the payment of any judgment rendered against them by reason of the complaint of Matthew Cox, as executor of the will of Richard Wright:

> "Know all men by these presents that we John Duncan Nathl. Morris Benj Moris and George Duncan are held and firmly bound unto Thomas Anderson Sheriff of Buckingham County his Heirs Executors administrators and assigns in the Sum of one thousand pounds for the paiment of which well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators Jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this __ day of ____ 1794
>
> The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound John Duncan & Nathl Morris & Benjamin Morris shall make __ appearance before the Judges of the District Court of prince Edward, to be holden at prince Edward Court house on Monday the first day of September next to answer Math Cox ____ of a plea of debt for four hundred & fifty Eight pounds 19/6 damages fifty pounds then the above Obligation to be Void and of none effect else to remain in full force and Virtue
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> Sealed and delivered) his
> in the presence of) John X Duncan
> Cary Drew mark
> Nathl Morris
> Benj Morris
> Geo Duncan"

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Richard Wright resided in 1771 in Essex County, Virginia.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Richard Wright was a son of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright.

K. Susannah (Wright) Gatewood, Her Husband Phillip Gatewood, And Her Descendants

Susannah (Wright) Gatewood was a daughter of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright. (1769 George[1])

The will of 1769 George Wright dated September 29, 1760, and probated on December 18, 1769, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 12/378 listed Susannah Gatewood as one of his daughters:

> ". . . . my will and desire is that after my wife Decease that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given (viz) Lands Negroes and all other pos'ns my Goods & chattels be sold and the money arising by such sale to be equally Divided between my ten other children to wit James Wright William Wright Saml. Wright Benja. Wright Griffin Wright Richd Wright Stephen Wright Ann Cox Susannah Gatewood & Eliza Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

On December 31, 1768, at Essex County, Virginia, D.B. 30/280 Phillip Gatewood and his wife Susanna sold to Hannah Martin 218 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made the thirty first day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Eight Between Phillip Gatewood and Susanna his wife of the County of Caroline of the one part and Hannah Martin widow of the County of Chesterfield of the other part Witnesseth that the said Phillip Gatewood for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and Nine pounds Curt. money of Virga. to him in hand paid by the sd. Hannah Martin the receipt whereof as hereby acknowledged Hath Granted bargained sold aliened and Confirmed and by these presents do Grant bargain sell alien & Confirm unto the said Hannah Martin her heirs and assigns forever Two hundred and eighteen Acres of Land lying and being in the County of Essex and bounded as followeth to wit Beginning at a large white oak at the head of a small Branch thence South five degrees 16 west fifty four poles to a pine thence South two degrees 43 E five poles to a black oak in Twymans line thence along the sd. Twymans line N 75 W 25 poles to a Corner white oake Edward Davis's thence with the sd. Davis's line N 72 W 37 poles to a Gum thence N 76 W 32 poles to a Red oak thence N 62 45 west 22 poles to a Red oak thence N 72 45 W 34 poles to Davis's Corner white oak at the head of a Valley thence 86 35 W 34 poles to a

white oak corner to Davis and Cook thence S 20 15 W 22 poles to a red oak thence S 25 15 W 30 poles to a red oak thence S 83 15 W 22 poles to a Corner white oak Cook's McMahans & Joseph Gatewoods thence N 7 n(?) 40 poles to a white oak Corner of the said Joseph Gatewoods thence N 40 15 E 41 poles to a red oak thence N 41 35 E 98 poles to two spanish oaks & a large pine by a path thence N 41 30 E 88 poles to a white oak in a bottom thence S 44 45 W to a red oak sapling thence S 64 15 E 13 poles to a white oak thence S 54 45 E 39 poles to a large pine thence N 41 45 E 43 poles to a red oak and spanish oak thence S 71 50 E 69 poles to the branch Thence up the several Courses of the run 60 poles to an ash in the mouth of a small branch thence up the said small branch its several Courses bearing South Eastwardly 72 poles to the beginning white oak together with all profits priviledges appurtenances and advantages whatsoever to the said land and premises belonging or in any wise appurtaining and the Reversion and Reversions remainder and remainders Rents ___ & profits of the said Granted premises and of every part thereof with all the Estate Right Title and Interest of them the sd. Phillip Gatewood and Susanna his Wife in or to the said Land and premises or any part thereof To have and to hold all and singular the Land and premises above mentioned and hereby intended to be conveyed unto the sd. Hannah Martin her heirs and assigns forever and the sd. Phillip Gatewood and Susanna his Wife for themselves and their heirs the above mentioned tract of Land and every part and parcel thereof unto the said Hannah Martin her heirs and assigns Against them the said Phillip Gatewood and Susanna his wife and their heirs and all and every other person or persons whatsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents & further the said Phillip Gatewood and Susanna his wife doth hereby oblige themselves their heirs & that the sd. Hannah Martin from this time and at all times hereafter shall peaceably & Quietly have hold and enjoy all and singular the said Land & premises and every part thereof without any lett trouble or molestation of them the said Phillip Gatewood and Susanna his wife their heirs or any other persons or persons whatsoever and that freed and discharged or otherways well and sufficiently secured and kept harmless and indemnified of and from all former and other deeds & and lastly that they the said Phillip Gatewood and Susanna his wife their heirs and assigns at the request and at the Cost and Charges in Law of her the said Hannah Martin shall make do and execute all and every such further Law full and reasonable Conveyance and assurances whatsoever for the better Confirming all and singular the sd. Land and premises unto the said Hannah Martin her heirs and assigns forever as by the said Hannah Martin her heirs or assigns or her or their Council learned in the Law shall be devised Advised or required In Witness whereof the said Phillip Gatewood and Susanna

his wife have set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year above written

Sign'd Seal'd and delivered
in present of us
Sally Rennolds
Richard Brown
Andrew Gatewood
John Upshaw

Phillip Gatewood
her
Susanna X Gatewood
mark

Received of Hannah Martin One hundred & nine pounds Current money being the full Consideration mentioned for the within conveyed Land and premises

Test
John Upshaw
Richd. Brown
Andrew Gatewood

Phillip Gatewood

At a Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 21st day of August 1769 This deed Indented and the Receipt hereon endorsed were fully proved and ordered to be Recorded

Test
John Lee Clk

George the third by the grace of God of great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the faith & To Robert Green William Williams & James Slaughter of the County of Culpeper gent Greeting Whereas Phillip Gatewood and Susanna his wife late of the County of Caroline have by their deed of Bargain and Sale bearing Date the thirty first day of December One thousand seven hundred & sixty Eight conveyed unto Hannah Martin widow of the County of Chesterfield Two hundred and eighteen Acres of Land situate lying and being in the County of Essex and Whereas the said Susanna is unable to travel to our said County Court of Essex to make acknowledgement thereof Therefore we Command you or any two or more of you to repair to the said Susanna and that privily and apart from her husband you take such acknowledgement as she shall be willing to make touching the premises and examine her whether she makes such acknowledgement freely and Willingly without the threats & Compulsion of her sd. Husband and whether she is willing the sd. deed together with her acknowledgement may be Recorded in our said County Court of Essex and that you certify us thereof under your hands and seals at the same time sending this Writ Witness John Lee Clerk of our said Court at the Court House the 11th day of April 1769 in the 9th year of our Reign

John Lee

Pursuant to the within Commission to us directed we the subscriber did personally go to the within named Susanna Gatewood wife of the within mentioned Phillip Gatewood and did Examine her seperate and apart from the said Phillip Gatewood her husband Touching her acknowledgement of the Conveyance hereunto annexed and she declared she did the same freely & Voluntarily without the persuation or threats of her said husband and that she was willing the same should be Recorded in the County Court of Essex Certified under our hands & seals this 20th day of May 1769

Robt. Green
James Slaughter

At a Court held for Essex County at Tapppa. on the 21st day of Augt. 1769 This Commission and the Commissioners report were this day returned and ordered to be Recorded"

The will of Elizabeth (____) Wright dated July 10, 1775, and probated on September 18, 1775, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 13/18 listed Susannah Gatewood as one of her children:

". . . . Item, my Will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given Vizt Lands and all other my Goods be sold and the Money Ariseing by such sale to be Equally Divided Between my seven Children to wit James Wright, Benjamin Wright Griffin Wright, Richard Wright Stephen Wright Susannah Gatewood Elizabeth Cox . . . ."

In her letter dated December 10, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Phillip Gatewood purchased land in Shenandoah County in 1782 at Shenandoah County, Virginia, D.B. C/507, but was then residing at Frederick County, Virginia, resided in Shenandoah County by December 13, 1782, when his daughter was married, and died in 1793 in Shenandoah County where his estate was probated at Shenandoah County, Virginia, W.B. E/150.

In her letter dated December 10, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed the following records regarding the estate of Susannah Gatewood:

"Minute Book 1822-1826

Wednesday March 12th, 1823
Present

Daniel Streckler	William R. Beak	
Joseph S. Spengler	William Steinburger	Gent. Justices
William Smith	David Stickey	

Admon on the Estate of Susannah Gatewood decd granted to Wright Gatewood who was duly sworn and entered into Bond with Security according to Law. Ordered that William M. Bayley, Philip Spengler, Anthony Spengler and Saml. Richardson or any three of them do appraise Gatewood Estate and report ____.

Tuesday November 11, 1823
Present

John Colville	Moses Walton
William Smith	Huhard Hall
David Steckley	

$300 Inventory and appraisement of the personal Estate of Benjamin Fey decd returned and ordered to be recorded.
$240 Same of personal Estate of Susanna Gatewood decd ---- same order

Virginia State Library Microfilm, Shenandoah County, Virginia, Reel No. 38, Will Book M 1822-1825, Will Book N 1825-1826 Will Book M 1822-1825

In obedience to an order from the County Court of Shenandoah dated March Term 1823, We the undersigned have appraised the estate of Susannah Gatewood as shown to us by the owner as follows, viz:

1 bed, bedsted furniture	$30.00
1 walnut chest	3.00
1 arm chair	.75
Shovel & tongs	.75
	$34.50

Wm. M. Bayley
Philip Spengler
A. Spengler

Bonds listed in presence of the appraisers:

Abraham Niswaubers bond due on the 16th April 1819 with interest from the 16th April 1818 credited with interest up to the 16th April 1819 and by $10 on the 10th Aug. 1820 in the hands of W. L. Clark for collection for one hundred dollars

Samuel H. Anigsworths bond due on the 25th Dec. 1823 for fifty dollars and fifty cents Seventy-two dollars in the hands of Chs. Cottell.

At a Court continued and held for the County of Shenandoah on Tuesday the 11th day of November 1823 This Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of Susannah Gatewood deceased was returned, examined by the Court and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
C. Williamson Clk"

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Susannah (Wright) Gatewood and Phillip Gatewood had three children:

1) Catherine Gatewood,

2) John Gatewood, and

3) Elizabeth Gatewood.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed the following summary regarding Susannah (Wright) (Gatewood) Dix:

"Susannah Wright-Gatewood-Dix. Susannah Gatewood was named as a daughter in her father's (1789) and her mother's (1775) wills, so she had married before the first date given, but the name of her husband Gatewood cannot be found she had married before the first date given, but the name of her husband Gatewood cannot be found. In her brother's James Wright (E) will of 1814 he leaves slaves to Susanna Dix and a suit of that year was brought concerning them under the names of Griffin Wright (I) and Susanna Dix vs. Thomas Wright, and Edward Wright, Executors under the will of James Wright, dec'd.

James Wright (E) gives the following named legacies in his will of 1814 (W 5-510) Caty Dix, Sally Wood, Caty Harper, Lewis Dix for Thomas Dix Senr. and Sally his wife.

In 1817 Lewis Dix's will (w 18-218) leaves one-third part of his property to his Bro. Thomas and sisters Susan and Caty Dix, each. a plat of the division shows Thomas as Capt. Thomas Dix and one sister as Miss. Caty Dix and it is noted that Susan Dix died October 25, and her intrest to Caty Dix. This same Caty Dix under the name of Catherine in 1827 wrote her will which was probated in 1830 (W 22-118) wherein she names Sally Wood as sister, James and Fontaine Wood as nephews, Julia Boughan as niece, Julia Wood daughter of nephew James Wood, Thomas Dix as nephew children of nephew Richard T. Haile dec'd. (he died 1807), William Dix as nephew, (Sally Dix widow of my brother Thomas Dix.) dec'd. Sarah Dix was given a slave now in the possession of Sally Dix, after her deceased, rest and residue to her friend Henry W. Latane. From this date it is shown that Susannah Wright had married a Gatewood before 1769 and was still married or a widow in 1775. From this last year to 1814 she had

become the widow Gatewood, had married a second time to Thomas Dix and was in that year or before the widow Dix.

In 1769 Thomas Dix had a will recorded (W 14-137) in which he lists son's Gabriel, Thomas, John, James, and Lewis, Grandchildren Betsy, Richard Thomas Haile children of my oldest daughter Mary by her husband John Haile.

In 1818 (D 39-523) Thomas Dix and Sarah his wife deed land to sister, Cath. Dix.

Susannah Wright-Gatewood-Dix perhaps did not have any children by her first marriage, at least there is no known record of any; but there could have been three children by the Dix marriage, namely, sons Thomas and William and a daughter Sarah. The Essex County records concerning any of these last three are silent."

Notwithstanding the statements in that summary, the estate documents for Susannah Gatewood indicate that she did not marry Thomas Dix.

In her email dated May 22, 2008, Jo Anne Mackby stated that John And Amy Gatewood And Their Descendants 1666-1986, by Carol J. Gothberg and published in 1987, stated that Susannah Wright was a daughter of George Wright and Elizabeth (McGehee) Wright, married Phillip Gatewood in about 1760, and died before November 11, 1823, in Shenandoah County, Virginia, that Phillip Gatewood was born in about 1737 in Essex County, Virginia, resided during the Revolutionary War in Richmond, Virginia, moved by 1783 to Shenandoah County, Virginia, and died on January 11, 1793, in Woodstock, Shenandoah County, Virginia.

1. Catherine (Gatewood) Catlett And Her Husband Charles Catlett

Catherine (Gatewood) Catlett was a daughter of Susannah (Wright) Gatewood and Phillip Gatewood. (1769 George[1], Susannah[2])

In her letter dated December 10, 1989, Sue Wright enclosed an abstract from Shenandoah County, Virginia, Marriage Bonds 1772-1850 which listed the marriage of Catherine Gatewood, daughter of Phillip, and Charles Catlett on December 13, 1782, at Shenandoah County, Virginia.

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Catherine Gatewood was a daughter of Susannah (Wright) Gatewood and Phillip Gatewood.

2. John Gatewood

John Gatewood was a son of Susannah (Wright) Gatewood and Phillip Gatewood. (1769 George[1], Susannah[2])

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that John Gatewood was a son of Susannah (Wright) Gatewood and Phillip Gatewood.

3. Elizabeth Gatewood

Elizabeth Gatewood was a daughter of Susannah (Wright) Gatewood and Phillip Gatewood. (1769 George[1], Susannah[2])

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Elizabeth Gatewood was a daughter of Susannah (Wright) Gatewood and Phillip Gatewood.

L. 1816 Griffin Wright Of Franklin County, North Carolina, His Wife Delphi (Glenn) Wright, And His Descendants

1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, was a son of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright. (1769 George[1])

The will of 1769 George Wright dated September 29, 1760, and probated on December 18, 1769, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 12/378 listed Griffin Wright as one of his sons:

> ". . . . my will and desire is that after my wife Decease that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given (viz) Lands Negroes and all other pos'ns my Goods & chattels be sold and the money arising by such sale to be equally Divided between my ten other children to wit James Wright William Wright Saml. Wright Benja. Wright Griffin Wright Richd Wright Stephen Wright Ann Cox Susannah Gatewood & Eliza Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

On July 27, 1772, at Cumberland County, Virginia, D.B. 5/73 Griffin Wright purchased from John Wright 300 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this twenty seventh day of July in the year of our lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and seventy two Between John Wright of the County of Cumberland of the one part and Griffin Wright of the county aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said John Wright for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and five pounds Current money of Virginia to him in hand paid by the said Griffin Wright the receipt whereof I the said John Wright doth hereby acknowledge, and have granted bargained sold aliened enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien enfeoff and confirm unto the said Griffin Wright and his heirs and assigns forever one certain tract or parcel of land lying in the county aforesaid Containing

three hundred acres more or less and bounded as followeth. Beginning at a corner scrub Oak on Pleasants line thence on the said line North twenty degrees east sixty poles to a facet corner thence North one and a half degrees west two hundred and fifty one poles to a red Oak thence on John Brown's line South eighty seven and a half degrees West two hundred and ninety five poles to a hicory Sapling thence a new line South forty four and a half degrees east four hun. and six poles to the begining as followeth with all houses gardens orchards fences and appertenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land with the appertenances unto the said Griffin Wright his heirs and assigns forever To the only propper use and behoof of him the said Griffin Wright his heirs and assigns forever, the said John Wright doth covenant and agree to and with the said Griffin Wright that he the said John Wright and his heirs the above sold lands and premises to the said Griffin Wright and his assigns forever shall and will Warrant by these presents forever against the claim of any person or persons whatever In Witness whereof I the said John Wright have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written

Signed Sealed and Deli-) John Wright
vered In presence of us)

Memorandum that on the twenty seventh day of July one thousand seven hundred and seventy two Quiet and peaceable possession and Seizon of the within mentioned lands and premises Was had and taken by the within mentioned John Wright and by him acknowledged to be delivered unto the within named Griffin Wright to be held by him his heirs and assigns forever according to purport true intent and meaning of the within Written Indenture

Witness John Wright

Received the twenty seventh day of July one thousand seven hundred and seventy two the sum of one hundred and five pounds current money of Virginia it being the Consideration within mentioned

Witness John Wright

At a court held for Cumberland couny 27th July 1772

This Indenture with the memorandum and receipt indorsed were acknowledged by John Wright a party thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Test
Thompson Swann Clk."

The Vestry Book of Southam Parish, Cumberland County, Virginia, 1745-1792 listed on August 1, 1772, the processioning of the land of Griffin Wright:

"Processioners returns August the first 1772

. . . .

In obedience to an order of Vestrey, we the subscribers have processioned the following lines:

. . . .

Between Davis Brown and Griffin Wright, both present. Between Griffin Wright and William Lee, both present. Between Griffin Wright & Wm. Lee, both present. Between Griffin Wright & John Pleasants Estate, Griffin Wright present. The above Lines in quiet and peacable possession 22nd January 1772.

. . . .

William Lee
Joseph Lee
James Glenn"

The will of Elizabeth (____) Wright dated July 10, 1775, and probated on September 18, 1775, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 13/18 listed Griffin Wright as one of her children:

". . . . Item I Give to my son Griffin Wright one Feather Bed and Furniture the bed that hath in Possession to him and his heirs forever. . . .

Item, my Will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given Viz Lands and all other my Goods be sold and the Money Ariseing by such sale to be Equally Divided Between my seven Children to wit James Wright Benjamin Wright Griffin Wright Richard Wright Stephen Wright Susannah Gatewood Elizabeth Cox . . . ."

The 1782 Personal Property Tax List for Cumberland County, Virginia, listed Griffin Wright with the following household:

Proprietors Names	No. free Tithables	No. Slaves	No. Horses	No. Cattle
Griffin Wright	1	8	4	15

No. Wheels	No. Ordinary licenses	Amount Tax
		5.1.6

The 1783 and later Personal Property Tax Lists for Cumberland County, Virginia, did not list Griffin Wright, reflecting his move to North Carolina.

Abstracts Of Franklin County Deeds stated that on October 7, 1783, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 4/18 Griffin Wright purchased from William Richards 500 acres of land on the branches of Lions Creek.

On October 27, 1783, at Cumberland County, Virginia, D.B. 6/167 Griffin Wright sold to Bauldwin Pearce 300 acres of land:

> "This Indenture made this twenty seventh day of October in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and eighty three betwen Griffin Wright of the County of Cumberland of the one part and Bauldwin Pearce of the County aforesaid of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Griffin Wright for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds current money of Virginia to him in hand paid by the said Bauldwin Pearce the Receipt whereof I the said Griffin Right doth hereby acknowledge and have granted, bargain'd and sold, aliend enfeoffed and confirm'd and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien enfeoff and confirm unto the said Bauldwin Pearce and his Heirs and assigns forever one certain track or parcel of land lying in the County aforesaid containing three hundred acres more or less and bounded as followeth Beginning at a corner scrub oak on Plesent's Line thence on the said line north twenty degrees East sixty poles to a facet corner thence north one and a half degree west two hundred and fifty one poles to a red oak thence on John Browns line south eighty seven and a half degrees West two hundred and ninety five poles to hicory saplin thence a new line south forty four and half degrees East four hundred and six poles to the begining as followeth with all houses, gardens, orchards fences and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to have and to hold the said track or parcel of land with the appernenances unto the said Bauldwin Pearce his Heirs and assigns forever to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Bauldwin Pearce his Heirs and assigns forever the said Griffin Wright doth covenant and agree to and with the said Bauldwin Pearce that he the s'd Griffin Wright and his Heirs the above sold land and premises to the s'd Bauldwin Pearce and his assigns forever shall and will warrent by these presents forever against the claim of any person or persons whatever. In witness whereof I the said Griffin Wright have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.
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> Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us — Griffin Wright
>
> Memorandum that on the twenty seventh day of October one thousand seven hundred and seventy three quiet and peaceable possession and seizon of the with mentioned lands and premises was had and taken by the within mention'd Griffin Wright and by him acknowledged to be delivered to the within named

Baldwin Pearce to be held by him and his Heirs and assigns forever according to the purport and true intent & meaning of the within written Indenture.

Griffin Wright

At a Court held for Cumberland County 27th October 1783.

This Indenture and the memorandum indorsed were acknowledged by Griffin Wright a party thereto and ordered to be recorded and Delphe wife of the said Griffin came into Court and being privily examined relinquished her right of dower in the land conveyed by the said Indenture.

Test
Geo. Carrington jr. Clk."

The 1783 and later Land Tax Lists did not list a Griffin Wright, reflecting the sale of his land by Cumberland County, Virginia, Deed 6/167.

Abstracts Of Franklin County Deeds stated as follows:

1) On April 10, 1784, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 4/82 Griffin Wright purchased from Andrew Railey _4 acres of land on the branches of Falling Branch.

2) On October 8, 1784, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 4/93 Griffin Wright purchased from Lewis Hill 340 acres of land.

3) On December 25, 1784, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 6/26 Griffin Wright purchased from Morris Railey 100 acres of land.

4) On June 20, 1787, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 4/152 Griffin Wright was a witness to the deed.

5) On May 8, 1788, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 6/154 Griffin Wright purchased from Obed Green 10 acres of land.

6) On September 9, 1789, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 7/1094 Griffin Wright was a witness to the deed.

7) In 1789 at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 7/1112 Griffin Wright was a witness to the deed.

Cumberland County Tax Petitions Since 1776 listed Griffin Wright as a petitioner for tax relief on November 16, 1789, at Cumberland County, Virginia.

The 1790 Census for Franklin County, North Carolina, listed Griffin Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Households	Free White Males Over 16 Years	Free White Males Under 16 Years	Free White Females	Slaves
Griffin Wright	1	2	7	17

Number of Household Members
27

This record indicates that Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright had eight children.

Abstracts Of Franklin County Deeds stated as follows:

1) On February 18, 1792, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 7/1200 Griffin Wright purchased from John K. Wynne 91 3/4 acres of land on Joils's Creek.

2) In 1793 at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 10/1352 Griffin Wright sold to Gideon Glenn 30 acres of land on Pigpen Branch.

3) In 1793 at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 10/1362 Griffin Wright purchased from Gideon Glen 30 acres of land on Falling Branch and Jiles Creek.

4) On January 15, 1794, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 7/1348 Griffin Wright was a witness to the deed.

The 1800 Census for Franklin County, North Carolina, listed Griffin Wright with the following household:

Name of Head of Family	Free White Males	Age	Free White Female	Age	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
Griffin Wright	1	45+	1	45+		22
	1	16-26	1	0-10		
	4	0-10				

This record indicates that Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright were born before 1755.

Franklin County Kinfolks stated that on June 13, 1802, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 13/249 Griffin Wright deeded property to his son Gideon Wright.

In her letter dated February 15, 2007, Teresa M. Munn enclosed a copy of the will of Gideon Glenn dated May 18, 1808, which provided in part as follows:

> "In the name of God Amen I Gideon Glenn Senir of the County of Franklin & State of North Carolina feeling the effects of declining years do make & ordain this my Last Will & Testament . . . . and at the death of my said son Thomas the aforesaid Negroes to wit, Booker, Terry and James as well also the aforesaid Horse, Bed & furniture I lend unto my three daughters namely Hannah Hight, Delphia Wright, and Mary Gill to be equally divided between them and at their deaths to decend to their children
>
> Thirdly - As soon as may be after my death I will that the whole of my negroes not herein otherwise disposed of be equally divided between my four children namely James to him & his heirs forever - to Hannah Delpha and Mary I lend during their natural life after which to decend to their respective children . . . .
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> Fifthly - The remainder of my Estate consisting of Horses, Cattle, Sheep & Hogs, together with my Household & kitchen furniture platation utensils &c &c - I will & direct to be sold at the direction of my Executors and the money arising therefrom after paying my Just Debts to be divided in the following maner that is to say, one fourth thereof to my son James, one fourth to my daughter Delpha Wright, one fourth to my daughter Mary Gill, and the other fourth to the Children of my Hannah Hight, to be equally divided between them. . . . . by me made &c this 18th day of May AD 1808
>
> Gideon Glenn Senr
>
> . . . ."

This record identifies Delphia Wright's maiden name as Glenn.

The 1810 Census for Franklin County, North Carolina, listed Griffin Wright with the following household:

Name of Head of Family	Free White Males	Age	Free White Female	Age	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
Griffin Wright	3	16-26	1	45+		23
	1	10-16	4	0-10		

It is unclear why Griffin Wright was not listed in this record.

Franklin County Kinfolks stated that on October 29, 1812, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 16/68 Griffin Wright by his attorney in fact William Hays purchased land from John Hayes.

The will and codicil of James Wright dated on January 23, 1813, and March 29, 1813, and probated on January 17, 1814, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 17/510, listed Griffin Wright as a beneficiary:

> ". . . . I give to Griffin Wright one negroe woman named Violet and Children mariah and Malitda Boys Bartley and ned Henry Clary and Children named Elisha and Ennis and mattilda Sarah and Child named Cordelia and one negroe boy named Moses one negroe Boy named owen to him and his heirs forever . . . ."

The will of Griffin Wright was dated on March 20, 1811, probated on September 6, 1816, at Franklin County, North Carolina, W.B. E/110, and provided as follows:

> "The last Will & Testament of Griffin Wright
>
> In the name of God Amen I Griffin Wright of the County of Franklin and State of North Carolina being in perfect mind and memory first commiting my Soul to that God who Giveth and taketh at his pleasure do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows
>
> Item 1st. I lend to my beloved Wife Delphia during her natural life all Such of my real and personal property as She may think proper to take
>
> Item 2d. It is my Will and desire that all my Single Daughters have the liberty and priviledge of living and remaining in the house with my wife as usual so long as they may live Single together with half this tract of Land
>
> Item 3rd. It is my desire also that all my Estate be kept together untill my Youngest Son becomes of age, or as my Sons and daughters may Marry or remove then and in that case for them to have so much of my Estate as those of my children who are Married, have received to be alloted them by to two unconnected indifferent men
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> Item 4th. It is my desire also that when my Youngest son becomes of age that an equal division of Such of my Estate as then may be take place between all my Children making those who may not have received any thing fully equal with those who have now or those who may before that time have received of my property

Item 5th. I wish also that if anyt of my Negroes Misbehaves in Such a manner as my Wife may not like that they be Sold by my Executors

Item 6th I nominate and apoint my Sons Gideon, George, Richard, Thomas, and James my Executors to this my last Will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 20th day of March 1811

Witness		Griffin Wright
Jas. Howze	Jurat	
his		
Lee B Jackson	Jurat	
mark"		

This record indicates that the children of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright were the following:

1) Gideon Wright,

2) George Wright,

3) Richard Wright,

4) Thomas Wright,

5) James Wright, and

6) Unnamed daughters.

Franklin County Kinfolks stated that:

1) On April 11, 1826, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 22/169 John Algood and Ann Algood sold to Thomas D. Wright their one-tenth interest in the land of Griffin Wright, deceased, which descended to Ann Algood as an heir.

2) On September 27, 1826, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 23/8 George Wright sold to George W. Harris his undivided interest in the land of his father Griffin Wright, deceased, and in the dower land of his mother.

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Griffin Wright resided in 1772 in Cumberland County, Virginia, and in 1783 in Franklin County, North Carolina, and that the will of Gideon Glenn dated May 18, 1808, and probated on _____, 1816, at Franklin County, North Carolina, W.B. C/127 identified Delphia (Glenn) Wright as the wife of Griffin Wright.

Sue Wright also stated that Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright had the following eleven children:

1) Gideon Wright,
2) Ann Wright,
3) Mary D. Wright,
4) Elizabeth Wright,
5) Sarah C. Wright,
6) George Wright,
7) Susannah G. Wright,
8) Richard Wright,
9) Thomas D. Wright,
10) James Wright, and
11) Elizabeth Wright.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed the following information about Griffin Wright:

> "Griffin Wright. In 1814 (OB 41-312) a suit was entered under Griffin Wright and Susannah Dix vs. Thomas Wright and Edward Wright Executors under the will of James Wright, dec'd. the suit was dismissed.
>
> According to Lennie Wright Barrett of Dallas, Texas Griffen wright moved to Franklin County, North Carolina, and there his will dated 1811, was probated 1816. His wife was Delphi, daughter of Gideon Glenn. They had 15 children."

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright were the following:

1) Gideon Wright, born on December 25, 1772, in Virginia,
2) Nancy Ann (Wright) Allgood,
3) Mary D. Wright,
4) Elizabeth Wright,
5) Sarah C. Wright,
6) George Wright,
7) Susannah G. Wright,
8) Richard Wright,

9) Thomas D. Wright,

10) James Wright, and

11) Hannah Wright.

1. 1856 Gideon Wright Of Maury County, Tennessee, His Wife Nancy (Kittrell) Wright, And His Descendants

1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, was a son of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

Franklin County Kinfolks stated that on June 13, 1802, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 13/249 Griffin Wright deeded property to his son Gideon Wright.

Granville County, North Carolina, Index of Marriages listed the marriage of Gideon Wright and Nancy Kittrell on November 17, 1805, at Granville County, North Carolina:

"Date of Bond:	Nov. 17, 1805
Name of Female:	Nancy Kittrell
Name of Male:	Gideon Wright
No:	3666"

Franklin County Kinfolks stated that on March 15, 1809, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 14/235 Gideon Wright of Granville County, North Carolina, sold land.

The 1810 Census for Franklin County, North Carolina, listed Gideon Wright with the following household:

Name of Head of Family	Free White Males	Age	Free White Female	Age	All Other Free Persons	Slaves
Gideon Wright	1	16-26	1	26-45		5
	1	16-18	1	0-10		
	2	0-10				
1	275	one spining mashean		40		

This record indicates that Gideon Wright and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright were born between 1775 and 1784. The listing of "one spining mashean" may belong to the next line on the list and not to Gideon Wright.

Franklin County Kinfolks stated that:

1) On May 4, 1812, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 16/228 Gideon Wright of Granville County, North Carolina, sold land situated in Franklin County.

2) On June 9, 1812, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 16/160 Gideon Wright of Granville County, North Carolina, sold land situated in Franklin County.

The will of Griffin Wright dated March 20, 1811, and probated on September 16, 1816, at Franklin County, North Carolina, W.B. E/110 listed Gideon Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item 6th I nominate and apoint my Sons Gideon, George, Richard, Thomas, and James my Executors to this my last Will and Testament. . . ."

The 1820 Census for Granville County, North Carolina, listed Gid Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Gid Wright	1	45+	1	26-45
	1	26-45	1	10-16
	2	10-16	1	0-10
	5	0-10		

Foreigners Not Naturalized	Number in Agriculture	Number in Commerce	Number in Manufacture
	7		1

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age	All Other Persons
2	16-26	1	16-26					
1	10-16	1	10-16					
1	0-10	1	16-26					

This record indicates that Gideon Wright was born before 1775.

Franklin County Kinfolks also stated that on May 11, 1821, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 19/187 Gideon Wright witnessed a deed by which Thomas D. Wright and Mary D. Wright purchased land.

The 1830 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Gideon Wright with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
Gideon Wright	1	50-60	1	40-50
	2	20-30	1	15-20
	2	15-20	1	5-10
	2	10-15	1	0-5
	1	5-10		
	1	0-5		

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age

White Persons included in the foregoing

Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
14					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing

Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

This record indicates that Gideon Wright was born between 1770 and 1780 and in conjunction with the 1820 Census that he was born between 1770 and 1775.

The 1840 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Gideon Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Gideon Wright	1	60-70	1	50-60
	1	20-30	1	20-30
	1	15-20	1	15-20
	1	10-15	2	10-15
	1	5-10		

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age

Number of Persons in each Family Employed in						
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
10		2		2		

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Univer-sities or College	Number of Students	Acade-mies & Grammar Schools	No. of Schol-ars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age
in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that Gideon Wright was born between 1770 and 1780 and in conjunction with the 1820 Census that he was born between 1770 and 1775.

Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Court Records for the estate of Ruth Kittrell included a copy of her will dated February 16, 1841, and a codicil dated June 28, 1848, and probated on August 23, 1848, at Maury County, Tennessee, which listed Nancy Wright as her daughter and married to Gideon Wright:

> "In the name of God Amen I Ruth Kittrell of the County of Maury & State of Tennessee Being of sound mind, do Make this my Last will & testament in manner & form following That is to say,
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> . . . .
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> Item 6th I give & bequeath to my Grand Son Joshua K. Wright in trust for the benefit of my daughter Nancy Wright during her natural Life, one sixth part of said money after the payment of my debts; the said one sixth part to be held in trust for the use of the said Nancy Wright, free from the interference & Control of her said husband, The said Joshua K. Wright is authorized, if he thinks proper at any time, to rest said money in negroes, or other property to be held by him in trust as aforesaid: permitting the said Nancy Wright to have the use and possession of said property so purchased without the interference & Control of her husband Gideon Wright In case the said Trustee does not rest said money in property or only a portion thereof it is my wish, that the interest of that not rested in property is to be expended in the support & maintenance of the said Nancy Wright. It is herein my wish & attention that in case the necessitie of the said Nancy Wright are such in the support & maintenance of herself & Children, that a portion of the principal of said money as the said trustee may think proper may be spent for her benefit upon the death of said Nancy Wright, such of the money & property, unspent(?) in the support of the said Nancy & her Children in his hands is to be equally divided between all the children of my said daughter Nancy Wright I appoint my sons Micklejohn Kitrell and Seth R Kittrell Executors of this my will & testament hereby Revoking all former wills and establishing and causing this to be my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16 day of February 1841
>
> Signed Sealed & delivered
> in presence of us
> Wm D. Benderman
> John Renfro"
>
> Ruth her X mark Kittrell

"Whereas on the 16th Feby 1841, I Ruth Kittrell executed a paper writing as my Last will and testament and now wishing to make some alterations in the same do make this as a Codicil to the said will And

. . . .

2nd Whereas since the execution of my said will Joshua K. Wright who was by said will appointed trustee of the interest of his mother Nancy Wright has died I do hereby appoint my son Micklejohn Kittrell trustee of said interest And I do hereby give to my said son one sixth part of my property in trust for the separate use & benefit (not to be subject to the Control of the husband of the said Nancy nor to be subject to his debts) of my daughter Nancy Wright to be held upon the same terms & trusts as is provided for and directed in my said Last will and testament and with all the provisions given in said will & this Codicil

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 28th day of June 1848

Test
Wm D. Benderman
John Renfro

Ruth her X mark Kittrell

State of Tennessee)
Maury County)

I William E. Enin Clerk of the County Court of Maury County do hereby Certify that the foregoing is a true Copy of the past will and testament of Ruth Kittrell with the codicil thereto annexed as the same appears and remains on file in my office Given under my hand at office this 23rd day of August 1848.

Wm. E. Enin Clerk"

This record identifies Nancy (Kittrell) Wright as the wife of Gideon Wright.

Sometime between August 23, 1848, and December 28, 1848, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Court Records for the estate of Ruth Kittrell, Gideon and Nancy Wright and other heirs of Ruth Kittrell filed their petition for a division of the estate among the beneficiaries:

"The petition of Micklejohn Kittrell, George Kitrell, Gideon Wright & wife Nancy formerly Nancy Kittrell, Seth R. Kittrell, Robert B. Gilliam & wife Melissa, formerly Melissa Kittrell, Joseph C. Kittrell, Benjamin Kittrell, Louisa Kittrell, A. G. Holden, Joshua B. King, & wife Martha, Northlett R. Holden, Elisa R. Holden, Arabella Holden, Joshua Holden, Louisa Holden

To the Hon. Terry H. Cahal Chancellor &c

The petition of your petitioners would respectfully State that Ruth Kittrell, late a citisen of the County of Maury departed this life in the month of _____ 1848 having first executed & published a paper writing as her last will & testament and afterwards a codicil thereto, which last will & testament & codicil thereto was, afterwards, duly proven in the county court of Maury at the term 1848 of said Court, & was by said court ordered to be recorded, a copy of which said last will & testament and the codicil is here exhibited and marked "A" and prayed to be taken as a part of their petition - that by the said will & codicil the said testatrix appointed your petitioners Micklejohn & Seth R executors of the same - that your petitioners Micklejohn renounced his right to execute said will in open court, and that your petitioner Seth R. alone qualified as executor under said will & codicil

They further state to your honor that your petitionerss are children & grandchildren of said testatrix - that is your petitioner Micklejohn, George, Seth R. Nancy are children and your petitioners Melissa, Joseph C., Benjamin Kittrell, Louisa Kittrell are children of Benjamin Kittrell a son of said testatrix that the said Benjamin died before the said Testatrix and that your petitioner Melissa intermarried with Robert B. Gilliam and that petitioners Joseph C., Benjamin Kittrell, and Louisa Kittrell, are minors & for whom the said Robert B. is guardian in the County of _____ State of North Carolina that your petitioners A. G. Holden Martha King Northlett R Holden Eliza R Holden, Arabella Holden, Joshua Holden, and Louisa Holden are children Leah Holden a daughter of said Testatrix and who died before said Testatrix That the said Testatrix died possessed of the following Negros Dinah aged about 70, Isom 54, Lucy 43 Jackon 35, Jimy 26, John 24, Sam 18, George 13. Witney 15, Leah 13 Rufus 13, Archer 9, Margaret 8, Sarah 7 Eliza 6, Phil 5: Ben 4, Bob 3, Cherry 7 months, Ned 7 months Tom 8 - That there was due to said Testatrix some $400 or $500 and that said Testatrix owed little or nothing - not exceeding some $20 or 25 dollars - That by reference to the will of said Testatrix she by the second clause directed her executors to sell all of her property of any description on a credit of 12 months which direction the said Testatrix revoked in the Codicil afterwards executed by her - That by the will and Codicil your petitioners as Children and representatives of Children entitled each to one sixth part of said Negroes, that is your petitioners Micklejohn to one sixth, petitioner George to one sixth Seth R. to one sixth Robert B. Gilliam & wife, Joseph C Kittrell Benjamin Kittrell, Louisa Kittrell as children of Benjamin Kittrell to one sixth, petitioner Nancy Wright to one sixth and petitioners A. G. Holden, Joshua B. King and wife Northlett R. Holden Eliza R Holden, Arabella Holden Joshua Holden, Louisa Holden, as children of Leah Holden to one sixth. That by the Codicil to said will the interest of petitioner of Nancy Wright is vested in petitioner Micklejohn Kittrell as trustee of said Nancy to hold the same to his own sole and seperate use and not to be subject to the control of the husband of said Nancy nor to be subject to his debts

They state that there being no debt to pay they desired a division of said negros among themselves assigning to each their portion as above stated. They pray that Commissioners may be appointed to divide the same and as in duty bound they will ever pray

S. D. Frien_____
Solicitor"

Sometime between August 23, 1848, and December 28, 1848, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Court Records for the estate of Ruth Kittrell, the court appointed commissioners to divide the estate of Ruth Kittrell:

"Seth R Kittrel & others, legatees & heirs of Ruth Kittrell Ex parte.

This cause coming on to be heard upon the petition of petitioners by consent of parties, and it appearing to the court, that Ruth Kittrel, late of the County of Maury, State of Tennessee, did in the ___ day of _____ 1848, having first made & published her last will & testament, and a codicil thereto, which will & codicil was after the death of said Ruth, produced & prov___ in the County Court of said County of Maury, at the _____ Term 1848 of said Court, and which were by sd Court ordered to be recorded; that Micklejohn Kittrell & Seth R. Kittrell were appointed Executors of said will & codicil, that the said Micklejohn renounced his right to execute sd will, and that the said Seth R. qualified and accepted the office of executor under sd. will - that the said testatrix left the persons set out in the petition her legatees, and that she by the codicil to sd will directed her negroes to be divided among the said petitioners, in the proportion as set out by them - that the said testatrix left the negroes mentioned in the petition, and that there are sufficient assets in the hands of said executor with which to pay the debts of said testatrix; and that the said Executor sets up no objections to the division of said negroes. It is therefore ordered adjudged & decreed by the court, that William Pillow, Thomas P. Wortham, & William D Benderman be appointed commissioners to value and divide said negroes into six shares: that they allot one share each to petitioner Micklejohn, Seth R, George, Nancy Wright wife of Gideon Wright, one sixth to the petitioners children of Leah Holden, and one sixth to the petitioners, children of Benjamin Kittrell decd, and that they make report to the next Term of this court.

Seth R. Kittrell & others
Ex parte"

On December 28, 1848, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Court Records for the estate of Ruth Kittrell, the commissioners returned their report on the division of the estate of Ruth Kittrell:

"Seth R. Ketrell Ex of Ruth Ketrell
Exparte

It is ordered by the court that William Pillow Thomas P. Wortham, William D Benderman, James Harmon & Simpson Perry or any of three of them be appointed Commissioners to value & divide the negroes of Ruth Kitrell into six shares that they allot one share each to petitioner MickleJohn, Seth R. George, Nancy, Wright wife of Gideon Wright, Sixth to the petitioners children of Leah Holden & one sixth to petitioners children of Benjamin Kitrell decd & that they make report to the next term of this court

Wm P. Martin Clerk

In pursuance of the above commission to us directed we the undersigned commissioners met and proceeded to value and set apart by lots the negroes belonging to Ruth Kittrell Decd (to wit) Dinah valued at nothing aged 73 years Isham aged 51 years valued $200 Lucy aged 44 years unsound valued $100, Jackson aged 42 valued at $475: Ginny & infant child Cherry valued $620. Jone & infant child Tom valued $650 Sam aged 20 years valued at $710, Whilan & infant child Ned value at $685, Sincy aged 12 years valued at $535, Reefe(?) aged 10, was valued at $455, George aged 15 years valued at $665, Arch aged 9 years valued at $460, Margaret aged 7 years valued at $235, Eliza aged 5 years valued at $275 Ben aged 3 years valued at $210, Sarah aged 7 years valued at $345, Fill aged 5 years valued $300, Bob aged 2 years valued $210, makin all 31 in number agregate value amounting to $7220. and one sixth part being $1203.33 and further set apart said negroes in six lots in lot No. 1 Siney, Lucy Arch & Ben valued $1295 drawd by Seth R. Kittrell being $__ over his distributive share No. 2 Giny & child Cherry, Jackson valued at $1093 drawn by Benjamin Kittrells heirs and being $108.33 less than his distributive shear No 3 Jone & child Tom, Reefe valued at $1105, drawd to Leah Holden heirs being $98.33-1/3 less than her distributive shear No. 4 Sam Sarh Isham Dinah valued at $1255, drawd by George Kittrell and being and excess of $51.66-2/3 over his distributive shear No. 5 Whiten & infant child Ned Fill & Eliza valued at $1260, drawd to MickelJohn Kittrell being and excess of $56.66-3/4 over his distributive shear No. 6, George Margaret & Bob valued at $1210, drawd by Nancy Wright being and excess of $6.66-1/9 over her distributive shear all of which is respectfully submitted December 28th, 1848

(no fees charged
the Commissioners)

James Kannon
Thomas P Worthing
Wm Pillow
Wm. D. Benderman"

Sometime after December 28, 1848, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Court Records for the estate of Ruth Kittrell, the court approved the division of the estate of Ruth Kittrell among the beneficiaries:

"Seth R. Kittrell & others
Ex parte

This cause coming on to be heard upon the report of the commissioners, appointed to value and divide the negroes mentioned in the pleadings in this cause, among the petitioners which report is filed under the hands & seals of said commissioners and is in the words & figures following, to wit, (here set out report) and the same not being excepted to by any of said parties, it is ordered by this court that the same be confirmed; and it appearing to the court, that by the codicil to the will of the testatrix Ruth Kittrell, the said testatrix appoints the petitioner Micklejohn Kittrell trustee to hold the share of petitioner Nancy Wright in the property for the separate use & benefit (not to be subject to the control of the husband of the said Nancy Wright nor to be subject to his debts) of her daughter the said Nancy Wright, it is therefore ordered, adjudged & decreed by the Court, that the right and title to the negroes George, Margaret & Bob; allotted to the share of said Nancy Wright is vested in the said Micklejohn Kittrell as Trustee to hold the said negroes & their increase under the will & codicil thereto of the said Ruth Kittrell, subject to the uses & trusts in said will & codicil declared therein, for the benefit of said Nancy Wright. It is further ordered by the Court that all right & title in & to the negroes allotted to said petitioners respectively by said report be vested in them, and that the said Seth R. Kittrell deliver to said petitioners or their order, the negroes allotted to such of them by said report. It further appearing by said report that the negroes allotted to petitioner Seth R. exceeds his equal share $95.66-2/3 that the negroes allotted to the heirs of Benjamin Kittrell lack $108.33 being an equal share: that the Negroes allotted to the heirs of Leah Holden $98.33 being an equal share, that the negroes allotted to George Kitterell exceed his equal share $51.66. that the negroes allotted to Micklejohn Kittrell exceeds his equal share $56.66-2/3 that the negroes allotted to Nancy Wright exceeds her equal share $6.66-2/3; It is therefore ordered by the court that the petitioner Seth R. Kittrell pay to the petitioners, heirs of Benj. Kitterel decd. the sum of ninety one 66-2/3/100 dollars; and that the petitioner George Kittrel pay to the said heirs of Benj. Kitterell decd. the sum of sixteen dollars 66 cents and that the said George pay to the petitioners children & heirs of Leah Holden the sum of thirty five dollars, and that the said petitioner Micklejohn pay to the said children of said Leah Holden, the sum of fifty six 66/100 dollars, in his own right, and as trustee for Nancy Wright, he pay to the same persons the sum of six 66/100 dollars so as to equalize the _____ of all & such of said parties in said negroes: and it is further ordered that the costs of this proceding be paid by said parties, equalling in proportion to their interests, and that the sd Seth R. Kittrel as Executor of said Ruth Kittrel pay the same out of any funds in his hands belonging to her estate; and that he also pay out of the

same to S. D. Frierin, the sum of $_____ as solicitor of all parties to this proceeding."

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Gideon Wright with the following household on November 5, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Gideon Wright	73	M		Wagon Maker	1000
Nancy Wright	62	F			
Mary Wright	33	F			
Martha Wright	28	F			
Valera Wright	24	F			
Mildred Wright	21	F			
Archibald Wright	20	M			
Madelaide Wright	14	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Va				
NC				
NC				
N. C.				
N. C.				
Tenn				
Tenn				
Tenn				

This record indicates that Gideon Wright was born in about 1777 and that Nancy (Kittrell) Wright was born in about 1788.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Gideon C. Wright in the Wright Cemetery, McCains, Maury County, Tennessee:

"Gideon C. Wright
Birth: Dec. 25, 1772
Death: Unknown"

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Nancy Wright with the following household on June 20, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Nancy Wright	71	F		weaver	1980
Martha Wright	34	F		weaver	
Bolivia Wright	31	F		weaver	
Mildred Wright	28	F		weaver	
Maderlaid Wright	23	F		weaver	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
3000	N. Carolina				
	N. Carolina				
	N. Carolina				
	Tenn				
	Tenn				

This record indicates that Nancy (Kittrell) Wright was born in about 1789.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Nancy Wright in the Wright Cemetery, McCains, Maury County, Tennessee:

"Nancy Wright
Birth: Unknown
Death: Unknown"

On November 20, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/492, the court ordered a determination of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright and the shares that each would take of the proceeds of the sale of the land of Gideon Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
. . . .
Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Order Reference
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on to be heard on this 20th day of November, 1918, before Hon. W. B. Turner, Judge, Etc., sitting by Interchange with Hon. Walter B. Bearden, Chancellor, and it appearing to the Court that an agreed decree has heretofore been entered in this cause on the 18th day of November 1918, Minute Book 46, P. 477; and it further appearing to the Court that the prospective purchaser of the land involved in this cause might raise some question as to the

validity of the title upon an agreed decree, it is therefore adjudged and decreed that the Clerk & Master take proof and ascertain,

1st. The number of acres contained in the tract of land sought to be sold, its location and state of improvement, and what is the estimated value of said farm.

2nd. The number of original and collateral heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and whether diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs described in said bill, and whether any of them have ever been located or not.

3rd. Whether it will be necessary to sell the land involved in this cause for a partition of the proceeds rather than a division in kind; and whether a division in kind could be made of the said land, with the number of Heirs involved, and whether it would be manifestly to the interest of all of said heirs, including the unknown heirs or any minors that might exist, to sell the said land and divide the proceeds.

He will make his report at the present term of this Court, all of which is ordered, adjudged and decreed.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which provided as follows:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on to be heard before Hon. W. B. Turner, Judge, Etc., sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, upon all of the proceedings heretofore had in this cause and upon the proof taken, and more especially upon the report of the Clerk & Master made in this cause, which report is in words and figures as follows: -

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Report of C. & M.
Josh Wright, et al;

In obedience to an Order of Reference in the above styled cause, I beg leave to report that I have taken the depositions of C. A. Wright, Miss Mildred Wright and Susan Rickette, and beg leave to report:

1st. That there are sixty-four acres of the said land which is located in the old Eleventh, New Sixth Civil District of Maury County, Tenn., and is bounded on the

North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, East by the Mt. Pleasant and Enterprise roads, South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and West by the Charleston Mining & Mfg. Company's lands; and from proof, the said land is in a bad state of cultivation and unimproved, the fences very bad around it, and it would take considerable money to fence and improve the place as it has been rented out for a number of years. Its value is from $2500. to $2700.

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

(1) Josh K. Wright, who died in 1846, and left surviving him Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving C. A. Wright and Maud Wright Thomas, the said Maud Wright Thomas having since died leaving one child, Louisa Thomas Smith; Martha A. Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Carrie Neely, who died leaving three children, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown.

(2) Griffin Wright, who died in 1867, leaving four children: Emma Wright who died without issue, Mary Wright; Griffin Wright who died in infancy, and Gideon Wright who resides at Trenton, Tenn.

(3) William Wright, who died about 1870, leaving two or three children, but whose names and residences are unknown.

(4) Melvina Wright Hall who died about 1874, leaving Joe Hall who died without heirs, James Hall who died without heirs, Susan Ricketts, Lollie Hall who died leaving two small children whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Josh Hall who died without heirs, Addison Hall who died without heirs, and Jno. Hall who died without heirs, Annie Hall Nowlin, who died leaving five children whose names and residences are unknown.

(5) James Wright, who died without heirs.

(6) Richard Wright, who died without heirs.

(7) Jno. Wright, who died in Texas leaving Gid Wright, Willie Wright, and Wright Brooks.

(8) Thomas Wright, who died without children.

(9) Martha Wright who died without children.

(10) Robert Wright, who died about 1878 leaving two or three children, whose names and residences are unknown.

(11) Velera Wright Burkett, who died about 1843, without children.

(12) Archibald Wright who died about 1884 in the State of Arkansas leaving several children, whose names and residences are unknown.

(13) Madelade Wright Winterich who died about 1889 without children.

(14) Mary Wright, who died without children.

(15) Mildred Wright, your Complainant, who now resides at Cullecka, Maury County, Tennessee.

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

3rd. From the proof I beg leave to report that the proof shows the Complainant has been in open, notorious and undisputed possession of this land, paying the taxes thereon, and treating it as her own, but it would be impossible to partition this land in kind among the great number of heirs reported under Item No. 2 of this Report, and it would be manifestly to the interest of all the parties that the said land be sold and the proceeds partitioned, as a partition in kind could not be made and do justice to the great number of parties interested in the lands in question.

Respectfully submitted,
Mora B. Pariss, C.& M.

Said report being fully understood by the Court and unexcepted to, it is in all things ratified and confirmed.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the Clerk & Master proceed to sell said land, as heretofore decreed, on Monday, the 16th day of December, 1918, to the highest and best bidder, free from the right and equity of redemption, homestead and dower, upon the following terms:

One-third cash the day of sale, balance on a credit of twelve and twenty-four months, notes bearing interest from date of sale, with good and personal security required of the purchaser, with lien retained to secure the purchase money, and he will report his action in the premises at the next regular or Special Term of this Court.

Ordered that Court adjourn till tomorrow morning at 9: o'clock

W. B. Turner Judge"

This record identifies the children of Gideon Wright and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright as follows:

1) Josh K. Wright,
2) Griffin Wright,
3) William Wright,
4) Melvina (Wright) Hall,
5) James Wright,
6) Richard Wright,
7) Jno. Wright,
8) Thomas Wright,
9) Martha Wright,
10) Robert Wright,
11) Velera (Wright) Burkett,
12) Archibald Wright,
13) Madelade (Wright) Winterich,
14) Mary Wright, and
15) Mildred Wright.

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Honorable W. B. Turner, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, etc.,

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Order
Josh Wright, et al,

In this cause, an order was heretofore entered substituting W. J. Harbison, a member of this bar, as Guardian ad Litem in the place of L. Z. Turpin, Guardian ad litem, who had entered the service of the United States Government, and the said Harbison having not yet performed any services in this cause as such substituted Guardian ad litem, and the said Turpin having returned from the Government service, it is ordered by the Court that said L. Z. Turpin be re-instated as such Guardian ad Litem in this cause, it appearing to the Court that he has heretofore filed his answer approved in signed decrees, has been present at the taking of the proof, and has otherwise performed the services as guardian ad Litem in this cause.

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on to be heard before the Honorable W. B. Turner, Judge, sitting by interchange with the Honorable Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, on this, the Second day of January, 1919, upon the pleadings and proof, and especially upon the Master's report of sale of the lands described in the bill, which report is in the words and figures following:-

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Report
Josh Wright, et al,

To The Honorable Walter S. Bearden, Cancellor, Etc.,

Pursuant to a decree of Your Honor's Court in the above styled cause, at the October Term, 1918, see Minute Book 46, page 533, directing me to re-open the biddings on the hereinafter described tract of land, and keep same open until 12: o'clock, Noon Monday December 30, 1918, which land is described as follows, to-wit:-

Located in the old Eleventh, new Sixth Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, and bounded on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by the Mt. Pleasant and Enterprise road; on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the lands of the Charleston Mining and Manufacturing Co., containing 64 acres more or less, being known as the old Wright homestead. Possession to be given January 1st, 1919.

I beg leave to report that I advertised said property by type-written handbills for the time required by law, and on Monday December 30th, 1918. I closed said biddings at 12: o'clock Noon, at the Office of the C. & M., when the same was bid off by Charleston, S. C. Mining & Manufacturing Co., at the sum of $7000.00 that being the highest and best bid.

I further report that said purchaser has complied with the terms of sale by paying me the sum of $7000. In cash.

Owing to the number of distributive shares, in this cause, I respectfully ask for additional commissions on this sale.

Respectfully submitted.
Mors B. Pariss, Clerk & Master.

And said report being unexcepted to, is in all things confirmed.

It duly appearing to the Court that in accordance with the decree heretofore entered in this cause the biddings heretofore had upon the lands described in the pleadings were ordered re-opened and kept open until noon on 30th day of December, 1918, at which time said biddings according to notice and advertisement duly had in accordance with law were re-opened by the Clerk & Master, and said land was sold to the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation, for the sum of seven thousand ($7000.00) Dollars, and in accordance with the orders and decrees heretofore entered in this cause, said land was sold upon terms of one-third cash, and balance upon one and two years time with lien retained and personal security required; but the said purchaser has seen proper to pay cash for said land, and has paid to the Clerk & Master the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars in cash, the same being the highest and best bid offered on said land at said sale, and from all the proof in this cause it is a most excellent sale of said land for all parties concerned, and the payment in cash is approved.

It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the Clerk & Master be directed to receive and retain said seven Thousand Dollars in cash for said land for the future orders of this Court.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown; Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose

names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.

The Clerk & Master is directed to make and deliver a deed to the said purchaser for said land upon the payment of the usual fee therefor.

It further appearing to the Court from the pleadings and proof that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, is a very old lady, without manys for support, and that she is an invalid dependent upon the charity of her relatives, and in order that she may have part of what is coming to her out of the sale of said land, it is ordered by the Court that the Clerk & Master pay to her the sum of Five Hundred ($500.00) Dollars for her immediate needs and benefit, taking her receipt therefor.

It further appearing to the Court, from pleadings, statements of attorneys in the cause and affidavit of W. J. Webster, a member of this Bar on file in this cause, that J. Shelby Coffey, Attorney for the Complainant, has rendered valuable services in this cause, it is ordered and decreed by the Court that the Clerk & Master pay to the said J. Shelby Coffey the sum of ($500.00) Five Hundred Dollars out of the funds derived from the sale of said land, it appearing that said sums be a reasonable fee for said services. And it also appearing to the Court that L. Z. Turpin has rendered valuable services as Guardian ad Litem in this cause, it is ordered that the Clerk & Master pay to said L. Z. Turpin the sum of $50.00, out of the funds derived from the sale of said land as compensation for said services. And it also appearing to the Court that Peebles & Forgey have performed valuable services on behalf of defendants in this cause, and that such services are reasonably worth the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($250.00), the same is allowed accordingly and the Clerk & Master is ordered and directed to pay to said Peebles & Forgey the sum of $250.00 for said services out of the funds on hands, but such fee allowance to said Peebles and Forgey shall in no way or manner prejudice the rights or alter the contention of Complainant under the original bill in this cause should she desire to press said claims and rights contended for on her part in this cause, but all such matters are reserved for final hearing.

After the payment of the fees, as above directed, the Clerk & Master will retain the balance of the funds from the sale of said land for the future orders of this Court as to the proper distribution of the same.

All of which the Court doth so order, adjudge, and decree. It is further ordered that the C. & M. pay all cost of cause so far accrued, and that it appearing to the Court that on account of the extra work required on account of great number of heirs, that the Clerk & Master be allowed a commission of 2% on the sale.

L. Z. Turpin, Gdn. Ad Litem,
Peebles & Forgey, Attys.,
J. Shelby Coffey, Atty. Complainant."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/644, the court entered its order for a further determination of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright and the shares due to each:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Order of Reference
Josh Wright, et al,

In this cause, it does not fully appear to the Court who the true and lawful heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, deceased, and just who are entitled to the funds as such heirs that are on hand in this cause, and on motion of Complainant the Clerk & Master is ordered to take the proof on file and additional proof if obtainable and report as follows:

1st: When and where did Gideon Wright and Nancy Wright die, and did they die intestate and were they the owners of the tract of land of 64 acres described in the bill and sold for partiton, in this cause.

2nd: Who are the true and lawful heirs of said Gideon and Nancy Wright (Deceased) and what are the respective interest of each to the funds derived from the sale of the lands sold in this cause.

3rd: What is the amount of the funds on hand for distribution in this cause among said heirs, after the payment of all costs and attorneys fees.

The Clerk & Master will make his report to the present term of this Court."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright was filed:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause, came on for hearing on this the 9th day of May, 1919, before the Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., upon the proceedings heretofore had, and especially upon the report of the Clerk & Master upon an order of reference filed in this cause, and said report is in the words and figures as folows:-

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Report of C. & W.
Josh Wright, et al,

In obedience to an order of reference in the above styled cause, I beg leave to report that I have taken the proof on file, and after diligent inquiry I find that it is the only proof obtainable, consisting of the depositions of Miss Mildred Wright, C. A. Wright, Mrs. Susan Ricketts, J. Shelby Coffey, T. M. Hall, and I report as follows:

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

(1) Josh K. Wright, a son who died in 1846, and left surviving him as heirs, a son Josh S. Wright, Jr., who died in 1919 without any issue, a son John W. Wright, now living in Texas, a son Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving as his heirs C. A. Wright, a son, and a daughter Maud Wright Thomas, who has since died and left as her only heir Louise Thomas Smith, a daughter Martha A. Neeley, who died in 1906 leaving as her heirs Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley, and Bruce Neeley, and a daughter Carrie Neeley, who died in 1878, leaving as her heirs Elmo Neeley, and Lee Neeley.

(2) Griffin Wright, a son, who died in 1867, leaving as his only heirs at law Mary Wright Webb wife of _____ Webb, and a son Gideon Wright.

(3) William Wright, a son who died about 1870, leaving two or three children, whose names, ages and residences are unknown.

(4) Malvina Wright Hall, a daughter who died about 1874, leaving as her only heirs at law Susan Ricketts a daughter, Lollie Hall, a son who died leaving two

children, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, a son, Madison Hall, a son, Annie Hall Nowlin, a daughter who died leaving as her only heirs at law five (5) children whose names and residences are unknown,

(5) Josh Wright, a son, who died in the State of Texas a number of years ago leaving as his only heirs at law, Gid Wright, a son, Willie Wright, and Maggie Wright Brooks, (reported to be dead).

(6) Robert Wright, a son who died about 1878, leaving as his only heirs at law two or three children whose names and residences are unknown.

(7) Archibald Wright, a son who died about 1884, leaving as his only heirs at law several children whose names and ages, and residences are unknown.

(8) Miss Mildred Wright, a daughter, Complainant in this cause who resides at Cullecka, this County.

(9 Richard Wright, a son, who sold and transferred his interest in the tract of land sold in this cause to his sister Miss Mildred Wright, during his life time, who has since died and left no children he never having been married.

The said Gideon and Nancy Wright had the following named other children who died leaving no children surviving them, they never having married, James Wright, Thomas Wright, Martha Wright, and Mary Wright, and the following other named children who had married but died leaving no children, Valera Wright Burkett, Madelade Wright Winterich.

3rd: The amount of the net funds on hands after the payment of all costs and attorneys fees in this cause arising from the sale of the lands in this cause is $5420.00 exclusive of $500.00 advanced Miss Mildred Wright, subject to distribution among the above named heirs at law of the said above named Gideon and Nancy Wright (Deceased).

Respectfully submitted,
Mora B. Fariss, Clerk & Master.

And said report being seen and fully understood by the Court and being unexcepted to is here by the Court in all things ratified and confirmed. And it further appearing to the Court that the heirs at law of the said Gideon and Nancy Wright, deceased, are correctly set out in said report in so far as same can now be ascertained, their shares and interests in and to the funds on hand in this cause derived from a sale of said land are fixed and decree in accordance with said report.

And the Clerk & Master is directed to disburse said funds to the parties entitled thereto according to said report or to their attorneys of record or powers of attorney duly filed, taking their receipts therefor.

Ordered that Court adjourn till Monday May 12th, at 10: o'clock a.m.

Walter S Bearden Chanclr"

And on June 26, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/730 a correcting order regarding the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright was filed, clarifying the heirs of Joshua K. Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday June 26th, 1919

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Hon. W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, Etc.,

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Corrected Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on for further hearing before Honorable W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., on this the 26th day of June, 1919, upon the pleadings and decrees heretofore had, and especially upon the decree heretofore entered naming the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the other heirs entitled to the funds on hand in this cause, the first named heirs in said decree are the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the same are as follows, being five direct heirs:

(1) Josh S. Wright, (2) John W. Wright, (3) Elbert G. Wright, dead, leaving C. A. Wright, and Maud Wright Thomas, dead leaving Louise Thomas Smith; (4) Martha Neeley, dead leaving Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley and Bruce Neeley; (5) Carrie Neeley, dead leaving Elmo Neeley and Lee Neeley.

And it duly appearing to the Court that the decree heretofore naming the heirs of said Josh K. Wright was incorrect, It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed that the names of heirs be corrected as herein set out, and the Clerk & Master be directed to disburse the funds according to this corrected decree, as to the heirs of said Josh K. Wright, deceased."

In her letter dated August 14, 1991, Dorothy Hankins enclosed a copy of a letter dated May 29, 1945, from Mrs. Linnie Wright Barnett to Dr. J. D. Eggleston which stated that as follows:

> "Recently in working on Griffin Wright line (he sold land joined by wf. Delphie 1783, Cumb. Co.,) and have just rec'd will from Franklin Co., N.C., and a son Gideon & w. Nancy (pbly Kittrell) went to Maury Co., Tenn. I wrote to Probate Clerk there, asking if any will naming chidren Griffin, Richard, etc. The letter went to wrong box, - Clerk and Master in Chancery, - who replied with copy of petition for division of est. Gideon and Nancy Wright (15 children), - petition by youngest Mildred in 1918. Oldest child Joshua had died 1846. The only two undiscovered heirs have been my neighbors and friends for many, many years!"

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Gideon Wright was a son of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Gideon Wright and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright were the following:

1) Joshua K. Wright,

2) Griffin Wright, born in about 1810 in North Carolina,

3) William O. Wright, born in about 1812 in North Carolina,

4) Malvina or Melvina (Wright) Hall, born on January 24, 1807, or in about 1808 in North Carolina,

5) James Wright,

6) Richard Wright,

7) Jno. or Josh Wright,

8) Mary Wright, born in about 1815 or 1817 in North Carolina,

9) Thomas Wright,

10) Martha Wright, born in about 1822 or 1826 in North Carolina,

11) Valera or Velera or Bolivia (Wright) Burkett, born in about 1826 in North Carolina,

12) Robert N. Wright, born in about 1827 or 1828 in Tennessee,

13) Mildred Wright, born in about 1827 or on June 24, 1829, or in about 1830 or 1831 or 1832 in North Carolina or Tennessee,

14) Archibald L. Wright, born in about 1830 or 1831 in Tennessee, and

15) Madelaide (Wright) Winterich, born in about 1836 in Tennessee.

a. 1846 Joshua K. Wright, His Wife Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright, And His Descendants

1846 Joshua K. Wright was a son of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

Granville County, North Carolina, Index of Marriages listed the marriage of Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. Kittrell on August 20,1828, at Granville County, North Carolina:

"Date of Bond:	Aug. 20, 1828
Name of Female:	Martha E. Kittrell
Name of Male:	Joshua K. Wright
No:	3691"

The 1840 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Joshua Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
Joshua Wright	1	30-40	1	30-40
	1	20-30		
	2	5-10		
	3	0-5		

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
				1	10-24	1	10-24
				1	0-10	2	0-10

	Number of Persons in each Family Employed in					
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navi-gation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
13		2		1		

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and In-sane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Univer-sities or College	Number of Students	Acade-mies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that Joshua K. Wright was born between 1800 and 1810.

Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Court Records for the estate of Ruth Kittrell included a copy of her will dated February 16, 1841, and a codicil dated June 28, 1848, and probated on August 23, 1848, at Maury County, Tennessee, which listed Joshua K. Wright as a son of Gideon Wright and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright:

> "In the name of God Amen I Ruth Kittrell of the County of Maury & State of Tennessee Being of sound mind, do Make this my Last will & testament in manner & form following That is to say,
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> . . . .

Item 6th I give & bequeath to my Grand Son Joshua K. Wright in trust for the benefit of my daughter Nancy Wright during her natural Life, one sixth part of said money after the payment of my debts; the said one sixth part to be held in trust for the use of the said Nancy Wright, free from the interference & Control of her said husband, The said Joshua K. Wright is authorized, if he thinks proper at any time, to rest said money in negroes, or other property to be held by him in trust as aforesaid: permitting the said Nancy Wright to have the use and possession of said property so purchased without the interference & Control of her husband Gideon Wright In case the said Trustee does not rest said money in property or only a portion thereof it is my wish, that the interest of that not rested in property is to be expended in the support & maintenance of the said Nancy Wright. It is herein my wish & attention that in case the necessitie of the said Nancy Wright are such in the support & maintenance of herself & Children, that a portion of the principal of said money as the said trustee may think proper may be spent for her benefit upon the death of said Nancy Wright, such of the money & property, unspent(?) in the support of the said Nancy & her Children in his hands is to be equally divided between all the children of my said daughter Nancy Wright I appoint my sons Micklejohn Kitrell and Seth R Kittrell Executors of this my will & testament hereby Revoking all former wills and establishing and causing this to be my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16 day of February 1841

Signed Sealed & delivered
in presence of us
Wm D. Benderman
John Renfro"

her
Ruth X Kittrell
mark

"Whereas on the 16th Feby 1841, I Ruth Kittrell executed a paper writing as my Last will and testament and now wishing to make some alterations in the same do make this as a Codicil to the said will And

. . . .

2nd Whereas since the execution of my said will Joshua K. Wright who was by said will appointed trustee of the interest of his mother Nancy Wright has died I do hereby appoint my son Micklejohn Kittrell trustee of said interest And I do hereby give to my said son one sixth part of my property in trust for the separate use & benefit (not to be subject to the Control of the husband of the said Nancy nor to be subject to his debts) of my daughter Nancy Wright to be held upon the same terms & trusts as is provided for and directed in my said Last will and testament and with all the provisions given in said will & this Codicil

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 28th day of June 1848

Test
Wm D. Benderman
John Renfro

Ruth her X mark Kittrell

State of Tennessee)
Maury County)

I William E. Enin Clerk of the County Court of Maury County do hereby Certify that the foregoing is a true Copy of the past will and testament of Ruth Kittrell with the codicil thereto annexed as the same appears and remains on file in my office Given under my hand at office this 23rd day of August 1848.

Wm. E. Enin Clerk"

This record identifies Joshua K. Wright as a son of Gideon Wright and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright and indicates that he had died prior to 1846.

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Martha E. Wright with the following household on September 23, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Martha E. Wright	40	F		.	3000
John W. Wright	20	M		Carpenter	
Egbert Wright	19	M		.	
Griffin Wright	15	M		.	
Benj Wright	12	M		.	
Chas. Wright	10	M		.	
Martha Wright	7	F		.	
Joshua Wright	5	M		.	
Caroline Wright	3	F		.	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
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This record indicates that Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright was born in about 1810.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed E. G. Wright with three other children of Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright on June 9, 1860, but did not list Martha E. Wright. This record indicates that Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright probably died before June 9, 1860.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Joshua K. Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

(1) Josh K. Wright, who died in 1846, and left surviving him Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving C. A. Wright and Maud Wright Thomas, the said Maud Wright Thomas having since died leaving one child, Louisa Thomas Smith; Martha A. Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Carrie Neely, who died leaving three children, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is

not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
. . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including the heirs of Josh K. Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.
. . . .
It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown; Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.
. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Joshua K. Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

(1) Josh K. Wright, a son who died in 1846, and left surviving him as heirs, a son Josh S. Wright, Jr., who died in 1919 without any issue, a son John W. Wright, now living in Texas, a son Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving as his heirs C. A. Wright, a son, and a daughter Maud Wright Thomas, who has since died and left as her only heir Louise Thomas Smith, a daughter Martha A. Neeley, who died in 1906 leaving as her heirs Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley, and Bruce Neeley, and a daughter Carrie Neeley, who died in 1878, leaving as her heirs Elmo Neeley, and Lee Neeley.

. . . ."

And on June 26, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/730 a correcting order regarding the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright was filed, clarifying the heirs of Joshua K. Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday June 26th, 1919

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Hon. W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, Etc.,

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Corrected Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on for further hearing before Honorable W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., on this the 26th day of June, 1919, upon the pleadings and decrees heretofore had, and especially upon the decree heretofore entered naming the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the other heirs entitled to the funds on hand in this cause, the first named heirs in said decree are the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the same are as follows, being five direct heirs:

(1) Josh S. Wright, (2) John W. Wright, (3) Elbert G. Wright, dead, leaving C. A. Wright, and Maud Wright Thomas, dead leaving Louise Thomas Smith; (4) Martha Neeley, dead leaving Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley and Bruce Neeley; (5) Carrie Neeley, dead leaving Elmo Neeley and Lee Neeley.

And it duly appearing to the Court that the decree heretofore naming the heirs of said Josh K. Wright was incorrect, It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed that the names of heirs be corrected as herein set out, and the Clerk & Master be directed to disburse the funds according to this corrected decree, as to the heirs of said Josh K. Wright, deceased."

In her letter dated August 14, 1991, Mrs. Dorothy Hankins enclosed a copy of a letter dated May 29, 1945, from Mrs. Linnie Wright Barnett to Dr. J. D. Eggleston which stated that as follows:

"Recently in working on Griffin Wright line (he sold land joined by wf. Delphie 1783, Cumb. Co.,) and have just rec'd will from Franklin Co., N.C., and a son Gideon & w. Nancy (pbly Kittrell) went to Maury Co., Tenn. I wrote to Probate Clerk there, asking if any will naming chidren Griffin, Richard, etc. The letter went to wrong box, - Clerk and Master in Chancery, - who replied with copy of petition for division of est. Gideon and Nancy Wright (15 children), - petition by youngest Mildred in 1918. Oldest child Joshua had died 1846. The only two undiscovered heirs have been my neighbors and friends for many, many years!"

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright were the following:

1) John W. Wright, born in about 1830 in Tennessee,

2) Egbert G. or J. Wright, born on March 17, 1831, in Tennessee,

3) Griffin Wright, born in about 1835 in Tennessee,

4) Benjamin Wright, born in about 1838 in Tennessee,

5) Charles Wright, born in about 1840 in Tennessee,

6) Martha A. (Wright) Neeley, born in about 1842 or 1843 in Tennessee,

7) Joshua S. Wright, Jr., born on December 28, 1844, or in about 1845 or 1847 in Tennessee, and

8) Caroline G. "Carrie" (Wright) Neeley, born in about 1847 in Tennessee.

i. John W. Wright

John W. Wright was a son of 1846 Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1846 Joshua[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed John W. Wright in the Martha E. Wright household on September 23, 1850, his age as 20 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1830, and his occupation as carpenter.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified John W. Wright as a child of Joshua K. Wright:

> "October Term, 4th Day of December 1918
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> . . . .
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> Miss Mildred Wright,
> VS-#2171, Decree
> Josh Wright, et al,
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> . . . .
>
> 2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:
>
> (1) Josh K. Wright, who died in 1846, and left surviving him Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving C. A. Wright and Maud Wright Thomas, the said Maud Wright Thomas having since died leaving one child, Louisa Thomas Smith; Martha A. Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Carrie Neely, who died leaving three children, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown.
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> . . . .
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> That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
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> . . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including John W. Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright;

. . . .

said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including John W. Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

(1) Josh K. Wright, a son who died in 1846, and left surviving him as heirs, a son Josh S. Wright, Jr., who died in 1919 without any issue, a son John W. Wright, now living in Texas, a son Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving as his heirs C. A. Wright, a son, and a daughter Maud Wright Thomas, who has since died and left as her only heir Louise Thomas Smith, a daughter Martha A. Neeley, who died in 1906 leaving as her heirs Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley, and

Bruce Neeley, and a daughter Carrie Neeley, who died in 1878, leaving as her heirs Elmo Neeley, and Lee Neeley.
. . . ."

And on June 26, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/730 a correcting order regarding the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright was filed, clarifying the heirs of Joshua K. Wright, including John W. Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday June 26th, 1919

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Hon. W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, Etc.,

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Corrected Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on for further hearing before Honorable W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., on this the 26th day of June, 1919, upon the pleadings and decrees heretofore had, and especially upon the decree heretofore entered naming the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the other heirs entitled to the funds on hand in this cause, the first named heirs in said decree are the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the same are as follows, being five direct heirs:

(1) Josh S. Wright, (2) John W. Wright, (3) Elbert G. Wright, dead, leaving C. A. Wright, and Maud Wright Thomas, dead leaving Louise Thomas Smith; (4) Martha Neeley, dead leaving Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley and Bruce Neeley; (5) Carrie Neeley, dead leaving Elmo Neeley and Lee Neeley.

And it duly appearing to the Court that the decree heretofore naming the heirs of said Josh K. Wright was incorrect, It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed that the names of heirs be corrected as herein set out, and the Clerk & Master be directed to disburse the funds according to this corrected decree, as to the heirs of said Josh K. Wright, deceased."

ii. 1896 Egbert G. Wright Of Maury County, Tennessee, His Wife Martha P. (Terry) Wright, And His Descendants

1896 Egbert G. Wright was a son of 1846 Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1846 Joshua[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Egbert Wright in the Martha E. Wright household on September 23, 1850, and his age as 19 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1831.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed E. G. Wright with the following household on June 9, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
E G. Wright	29	m		Farmer	4,500
Martha A. Wright	18	f			
Joshua S Wright	16	m			
Caroline G. Wright	13	f			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
12,000	Tenn		.		
	Tenn		.		
	Tenn		1		
	Tenn		1		

This record indicates that Egbert G. or J. Wright was born in about 1831.

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of Egbert G. Wright and Martha P. Terry on February 24, 1864, at Maury County, Tennessee:

"4061

Egbert G. Wright
and
Martha P. Terry

issued 22d Feby 1864

I solemnized the rite of matrimony between the within named parties the 24' Feby 1864"

The 1870 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Eg. E. Wright with the following household on July 19, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Eg E Wright	39	M	W	Farmer	10,000
M P. Wright	39	F	W	.	.
Eliza Terry	18	F	W	.	.
Eva Terry	16	F	W	.	.
Mattie Terry	14	F	W	.	.
Charley Wright	3	M	W	.	.
Joshua Wright	23	M	W	Farmer	450

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
2,433	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Egbert G. Wright and Martha P. (Terry) Wright were born in about 1831.

The 1880 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed E. G. Wright with the following household on June 9, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
E. G. Wright	W	M	48		.
M. P. Wright	W	F	50		Wife
Charley Wright	W	M	13		Son
Maud Wright	W	F	6		Daughter
Josh S. Wright	W	M	35		Brother

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Farmer		
M		Keeping house		
S		Works on farm		
S		.		
S		Farmer		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Tennessee	Tenn.	N. C.
			Tennessee	N. C.	N. C.
			Tennessee	Tenn.	Tenn.
			Tennessee	Tenn.	Tenn.
			Tennessee	N. C.	N. C.

This record indicates that Egbert G. Wright was born in about 1832 and that Martha P. (Terry) Wright was born in about 1830.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Martha P. Wright in Reeses Chapel Cemetery, Maury County, Tennessee:

"Martha P. Wright
Birth: Jan. 29, 1831
Death: Jul. 9, 1887
Wife of E. G. Wright"

Findagrave.com also listed the gravestone of E. G. Wright in Reeses Chapel Cemetery, Maury County, Tennessee:

"E. G. Wright
Birth: Mar. 17, 1831
Death: Jun. 16, 1896"

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Egbert J. Wright as a child of Joshua K. Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918
. . . .
Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,
. . . .
2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

(1) Josh K. Wright, who died in 1846, and left surviving him Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving C. A. Wright and Maud Wright Thomas, the said Maud Wright Thomas having since died leaving one child, Louisa Thomas Smith; Martha A. Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Carrie Neely, who died leaving three children, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown.
. . . .
That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
. . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, not including Egbert Wright but including his heirs:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright;

. . . .

said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Egbert J. Wright, who had died in 1896:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

(1) Josh K. Wright, a son who died in 1846, and left surviving him as heirs, a son Josh S. Wright, Jr., who died in 1919 without any issue, a son John W. Wright, now living in Texas, a son Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving as his heirs C. A. Wright, a son, and a daughter Maud Wright Thomas, who has since died and left as her only heir Louise Thomas Smith, a daughter Martha A. Neeley, who died in 1906 leaving as her heirs Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley, and

Bruce Neeley, and a daughter Carrie Neeley, who died in 1878, leaving as her heirs Elmo Neeley, and Lee Neeley.
. . . ."

And on June 26, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/730 a correcting order regarding the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright was filed, clarifying the heirs of Joshua K. Wright, including Elbert G. Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday June 26th, 1919

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Hon. W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, Etc.,

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Corrected Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on for further hearing before Honorable W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., on this the 26th day of June, 1919, upon the pleadings and decrees heretofore had, and especially upon the decree heretofore entered naming the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the other heirs entitled to the funds on hand in this cause, the first named heirs in said decree are the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the same are as follows, being five direct heirs:

(1) Josh S. Wright, (2) John W. Wright, (3) Elbert G. Wright, dead, leaving C. A. Wright, and Maud Wright Thomas, dead leaving Louise Thomas Smith; (4) Martha Neeley, dead leaving Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley and Bruce Neeley; (5) Carrie Neeley, dead leaving Elmo Neeley and Lee Neeley.

And it duly appearing to the Court that the decree heretofore naming the heirs of said Josh K. Wright was incorrect, It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed that the names of heirs be corrected as herein set out, and the Clerk & Master be directed to disburse the funds according to this corrected decree, as to the heirs of said Josh K. Wright, deceased."

iii. Griffin Wright

Griffin Wright was a son of 1846 Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1846 Joshua[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Griffin Wright in the Martha E. Wright household on September 23, 1850, and his age as 15 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1835.

iv. Benjamin Wright

Benjamin Wright was a son of 1846 Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1846 Joshua[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Benjamin Wright in the Martha E. Wright household on September 23, 1850, and his age as 12 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1838.

v. Charles Wright

Charles Wright was a son of 1846 Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1846 Joshua[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Charles Wright in the Martha E. Wright household on September 23, 1850, and his age as 10 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1840.

vi. Martha A. (Wright) Neeley, Her Husband Robert B. Neeley, And Her Descendants

Martha A. (Wright) Neeley was a daughter of 1846 Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1846 Joshua[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Martha Wright in the Martha E. Wright household on September 23, 1850, and her age as 7 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1843.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Martha A. Wright in the E. G. Wright household on June 9, 1860, and her age as 18 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1842.

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of Mattie A. Wright and Robert B. Neeley on March 19, 1868, in Maury County, Tennessee:

"5982
Robert B. Neeley
and
Mattie A. Wright

Issued 18 March 1868

I solemnized the Rites of Matrimony between the within named parties the 19th day of March 1868:

A. G. Dinwiddie M. G."

The 1870 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Robert Neeley with the following household on July 6, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Robert Neeley	31	M	W	Farmer	3000
Martha A Neeley	27	F	W	Keeps house	
Clauda L Neeley	1	M	W	.	
Babe Neeley	2/12	M	W	.	
H C Neeley	30	M	W	Farmer	
Cassy G Neeley	23	F	W	Keeps	
Elmore N Neeley	2	M	W	.	
H M Neeley	57	F	W	.	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
533	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		Apl		
720	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Martha A. (Wright) Neeley was born in about 1843 and that Robert B. Neeley was born in about 1839.

The 1880 Census for Young County, Texas, listed Robert B. Neelley in the Andrew Neelley household on June 10, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Andrew Neelley	W	M	41		.
Elmo Neelley	W	M	12		Son
Lee Neelley	W	M	5		Son
Robert B Neelley	W	M	42		Brother
Mattie A Neelley	W	F	37		Sist & Law
Claudie Neelley	W	M	10		Nephew
Joshua Neelley	W	M	9		Nephew

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
Wd		Farmer		
S		Farmer		
S		At home		
M		Farmer		
M		Keeping House		
S		At Home		
S		At Home		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Tenn	N C	N C
			Tenn	Tenn	N C
			Tenn	Tenn	N C

This record indicates that Martha A. (Wright) Neeley was born in about 1843 and that Robert B. Neeley was born in about 1838.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Martha A. (Wright) Neeley as a child of Joshua K. Wright:

> "October Term, 4th Day of December 1918
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> . . . .
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> Miss Mildred Wright,
> VS-#2171, Decree
> Josh Wright, et al,
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> . . . .
>
> 2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:
>
> (1) Josh K. Wright, who died in 1846, and left surviving him Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving C. A. Wright and Maud Wright Thomas, the said Maud Wright Thomas having since died leaving one child, Louisa Thomas Smith; Martha A. Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Carrie Neely, who died leaving three children, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown.
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> . . . .
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> That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
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> . . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including Martha A. Neely:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright;

. . . .

said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Martha A. (Wright) Neeley, who had died in 1906:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

(1) Josh K. Wright, a son who died in 1846, and left surviving him as heirs, a son Josh S. Wright, Jr., who died in 1919 without any issue, a son John W. Wright, now living in Texas, a son Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving as his heirs C. A. Wright, a son, and a daughter Maud Wright Thomas, who has since died and left as her only heir Louise Thomas Smith, a daughter Martha A. Neeley, who died in 1906 leaving as her heirs Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley, and

Bruce Neeley, and a daughter Carrie Neeley, who died in 1878, leaving as her heirs Elmo Neeley, and Lee Neeley.
. . . ."

And on June 26, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/730 a correcting order regarding the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright was filed, clarifying the heirs of Joshua K. Wright, including Martha (Wright) Neely:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday June 26th, 1919

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Hon. W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, Etc.,

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Corrected Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on for further hearing before Honorable W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., on this the 26th day of June, 1919, upon the pleadings and decrees heretofore had, and especially upon the decree heretofore entered naming the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the other heirs entitled to the funds on hand in this cause, the first named heirs in said decree are the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the same are as follows, being five direct heirs:

(1) Josh S. Wright, (2) John W. Wright, (3) Elbert G. Wright, dead, leaving C. A. Wright, and Maud Wright Thomas, dead leaving Louise Thomas Smith; (4) Martha Neeley, dead leaving Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley and Bruce Neeley; (5) Carrie Neeley, dead leaving Elmo Neeley and Lee Neeley.

And it duly appearing to the Court that the decree heretofore naming the heirs of said Josh K. Wright was incorrect, It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed that the names of heirs be corrected as herein set out, and the Clerk & Master be directed to disburse the funds according to this corrected decree, as to the heirs of said Josh K. Wright, deceased."

vii. <u>1919 Joshua S. Wright Of Maury County, Tennessee</u>

1919 Joshua S. Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, was a son of 1846 Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1846 Joshua[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Joshua Wright in the Martha E. Wright household on September 23, 1850, and his age as 5 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1845.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Joshua S. Wright in the E. G. Wright household on June 9, 1860, and his age as 16 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1844.

The 1870 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Joshua Wright in the Eg. E. Wright household on July 19, 1870, his age as 23 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1847, and his occupation as farmer.

The 1880 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Josh S. Wright in the E. G. Wright household on June 9, 1880, his relationship as brother, and his age as 35 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1845, and his occupation as farmer.

The 1900 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Joshua Wright in the Charles A. Wright household on July 14, 1900, his relationship as uncle, his birth in July 1841 in Tennessee, and his occupation as stock trader.

The 1910 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Josh S. Wright in the Charlie A. Wright household on April 18, 1910, his relationship as uncle, his age as 64 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1846, and his occupation as trader of livestock.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Joshua Wright, Jr., as a child of Joshua K. Wright:

> "October Term, 4th Day of December 1918
>
> . . . .
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> Miss Mildred Wright,
> VS-#2171, Decree
> Josh Wright, et al,
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> . . . .
>
> 2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:
>
> (1) Josh K. Wright, who died in 1846, and left surviving him Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving C. A. Wright and

Maud Wright Thomas, the said Maud Wright Thomas having since died leaving one child, Louisa Thomas Smith; Martha A. Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Carrie Neely, who died leaving three children, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

. . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including Josh Wright, Jr.:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright;

. . . .

said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.

. . . ."

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Joshua S. Wright in Reeses Chapel Cemetery, Maury County, Tennessee:

"Joshua S. Wright
Birth: Dec. 28, 1844
Tennessee, USA

Death: Jan. 25, 1919
Bigbyville
Maury County
Tennessee, USA"

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Joshua S. Wright, Jr. who had died in 1919:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
. . . .
Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .
1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

(1) Josh K. Wright, a son who died in 1846, and left surviving him as heirs, a son Josh S. Wright, Jr., who died in 1919 without any issue, a son John W. Wright, now living in Texas, a son Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving as his heirs C. A. Wright, a son, and a daughter Maud Wright Thomas, who has since died and left as her only heir Louise Thomas Smith, a daughter Martha A. Neeley, who died in 1906 leaving as her heirs Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley, and Bruce Neeley, and a daughter Carrie Neeley, who died in 1878, leaving as her heirs Elmo Neeley, and Lee Neeley.
. . . ."

And on June 26, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/730 a correcting order regarding the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright was filed, clarifying the heirs of Joshua K. Wright, including Josh Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday June 26th, 1919

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Hon. W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, Etc.,

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Corrected Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on for further hearing before Honorable W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., on this the 26th day of June, 1919, upon the pleadings and decrees heretofore had, and especially upon the decree heretofore entered naming the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the other heirs entitled to the funds on hand in this cause, the first named heirs in said decree are the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the same are as follows, being five direct heirs:

(1) Josh S. Wright, (2) John W. Wright, (3) Elbert G. Wright, dead, leaving C. A. Wright, and Maud Wright Thomas, dead leaving Louise Thomas Smith; (4) Martha Neeley, dead leaving Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley and Bruce Neeley; (5) Carrie Neeley, dead leaving Elmo Neeley and Lee Neeley.

And it duly appearing to the Court that the decree heretofore naming the heirs of said Josh K. Wright was incorrect, It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed that the names of heirs be corrected as herein set out, and the Clerk & Master be directed to disburse the funds according to this corrected decree, as to the heirs of said Josh K. Wright, deceased."

viii. Caroline G. "Carrie" (Wright) Neeley, Her Husband H. C. Or Andrew Neeley, And Her Descendants

Caroline G. "Carrie" (Wright) Neeley was a daughter of 1846 Joshua K. Wright and Martha E. (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1846 Joshua[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Caroline Wright in the Martha E. Wright household on September 23, 1850, and her age as 3 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Caroline G. Wright in the E. G. Wright household on June 9, 1860, and her age as 13 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of Carrie C. Wright and H. C. Neeley on April 2, 1867, in Maury County, Tennessee:

"5753
H C Neeley
and
Cassie C Wright

Issued 1 April 1867

5 cents stamp on Bond.

I solemnized the rite of matrimony between the within named parties the 2d day of April 1867.

John F. Hughes M. G."

The 1870 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed H. C. Neeley in the Robert Neeley household on July 6, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Robert Neeley	31	M	W	Farmer	3000
Martha A Neeley	27	F	W	Keeps house	
Clauda L Neeley	1	M	W	.	
Babe Neeley	2/12	M	W	.	
H C Neeley	30	M	W	Farmer	
Cassy G Neeley	23	F	W	Keeps	
Elmore N Neeley	2	M	W	.	
H M Neeley	57	F	W	.	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
533	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		Apl		
720	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		
.	Tennessee		.		

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Caroline G. (Wright) Neeley was born in about 1847 and that H. C. Neeley was born in about 1840.

The 1880 Census for Young County, Texas, listed Andrew Neelley with the following household on June 10, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Andrew Neelley	W	M	41		.
Elmo Neelley	W	M	12		Son
Lee Neelley	W	M	5		Son
Robert B Neelley	W	M	42		Brother
Mattie A Neelley	W	F	37		Sist & Law
Claudie Neelley	W	M	10		Nephew
Joshua Neelley	W	M	9		Nephew

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
Wd		Farmer		
S		Farmer		
S		At home		
M		Farmer		
M		Keeping House		
S		At Home		
S		At Home		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Tenn	N C	N C
			Tenn	Tenn	N C
			Tenn	Tenn	N C

This record indicates that H. C. or Andrew Neeley was born in about 1839. The absence of Caroline G. (Wright) Neeley from the household indicates that she probably died before June 10, 1880.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Carrie (Wright) Neeley as a child of Joshua K. Wright:

> "October Term, 4th Day of December 1918
>
> . . . .
>
> Miss Mildred Wright,
> VS-#2171, Decree
> Josh Wright, et al,
>
> . . . .
>
> 2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:
>
> (1) Josh K. Wright, who died in 1846, and left surviving him Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving C. A. Wright and Maud Wright Thomas, the said Maud Wright Thomas having since died leaving one child, Louisa Thomas Smith; Martha A. Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Carrie Neely, who died leaving three children, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown.
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> . . . .
>
> That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
>
> . . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including Carrie Neely:

> "Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
> Thursday January 2nd 1919.
> . . . .
> It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright;
> . . . .
> said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.
> . . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Carrie (Wright) Neeley, who had died in 1878:

> "Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
> . . . .
> Miss Mildred Wright,
> VS-#2171, Decree on Report
> Josh Wright, et al,
>
> . . . .
> 1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

(1) Josh K. Wright, a son who died in 1846, and left surviving him as heirs, a son Josh S. Wright, Jr., who died in 1919 without any issue, a son John W. Wright, now living in Texas, a son Egbert J. Wright, who died in 1896, leaving as his heirs C. A. Wright, a son, and a daughter Maud Wright Thomas, who has since died and left as her only heir Louise Thomas Smith, a daughter Martha A. Neeley, who died in 1906 leaving as her heirs Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley, and Bruce Neeley, and a daughter Carrie Neeley, who died in 1878, leaving as her heirs Elmo Neeley, and Lee Neeley.
. . . ."

And on June 26, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/730 a correcting order regarding the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright was filed, clarifying the heirs of Joshua K. Wright, including Carrie (Wright) Neely:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday June 26th, 1919

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Hon. W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, Etc.,

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Corrected Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on for further hearing before Honorable W. C. Whitthorne, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., on this the 26th day of June, 1919, upon the pleadings and decrees heretofore had, and especially upon the decree heretofore entered naming the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the other heirs entitled to the funds on hand in this cause, the first named heirs in said decree are the heirs at law of Josh K. Wright, deceased, and the same are as follows, being five direct heirs:

(1) Josh S. Wright, (2) John W. Wright, (3) Elbert G. Wright, dead, leaving C. A. Wright, and Maud Wright Thomas, dead leaving Louise Thomas Smith; (4) Martha Neeley, dead leaving Claud Neeley, J. E. Neeley and Bruce Neeley; (5) Carrie Neeley, dead leaving Elmo Neeley and Lee Neeley.

And it duly appearing to the Court that the decree heretofore naming the heirs of said Josh K. Wright was incorrect, It is, therefore, ordered, adjudged and decreed that the names of heirs be corrected as herein set out, and the Clerk & Master be directed to disburse the funds according to this corrected decree, as to the heirs of said Josh K. Wright, deceased."

b. Griffin Wright, His Wife Violet C. (Jetton) Wright, And His Descendants

Griffin Wright was a son of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of Griffin Wright and Vilet C. Jetton on May 7, 1846, in Gibson County, Tennessee:

"53
Griffin Wright
res M L
Vilet C Jetton

Isd 7 May 1846

Executed by me on the 7th May 1846

P. A. Gayle M. G.

Know All Men By These Presents: That we, Griffin Wright all of the county of Gibson and State of Tennessee, are held and firmly bound unto the Governor of said State, for the time being, his successors in office, or assigns, in the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars: which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, and each and every one of us and them jointly and severally by these presents. Witness our hands and seals, this 7 day of May 1846

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above named Wright hath this day prayed and obtained license to marry Vilett C Jetton Now if the said V C Jetton be an actual resident of the aforesaid county, and there shall not appear any lawful cause why the said G Wright V C Jetton should not be joined in holy matrimony, as husband and wife, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

G Wright
J J Smith
J J Smith"

The 1850 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Griffin Wright with the following household on November 13, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Griffin Wright	40	M		Miss Baptist Clergyman	2000
Violet Wright	25	F			
Emma Wright	3	F			
John Wright	2	M			
Mary Wright	8/12	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
N. C.				
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This record indicates that Griffin Wright was born in about 1810 and that Violet C. (Jetton) Wright was born in about 1825.

The 1860 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed V. C. Wright with the following household in 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
V C Wright	32	f		Farmer	6000
Emma Wright	19	f		.	.
John Wright	12	m		.	.
May [Mary?] Wright	10	f		.	.
Giddion Wright	8	m		.	.
Nancy Jetton	25	f		Lady	.
F Sinclair	71	m		Farmer	3000
Zelpha Sinclair	67	f		.	.
James Sinclair	29	m		Carpenter	.
Minnerva Sinclair	20	f		.	.
J E Hill	30	m		Farmer	6000
Sarrah Hill	25	f		.	.
Wm Hill	6	m		.	.
John Hill	4	m		.	.
May Hill	1	f		.	.

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
7000	Ten				
.	Ten				
.	Ten				
.	Ten				
.	Ten				
.	Ten				
400	N C				
.	S C				
300	Ala				
.	Ten				
2000	Ten				
.	Ten				
.	Ten				
.	Ten				
.	Ten				

This record indicates that Violet C. (Jetton) Wright was born in about 1828. The absence of Griffin Wright from the household and the size of the land and personal property owned by Violet C. (Jetton) Wright indicate that Griffin Wright had died before 1860.

Violet C. (Jetton) Wright has not as yet been located on the 1870 Census.

The 1880 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Violet Wright with the following household on June 8, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Violet Wright	W	F	54		.
John Wright	W	M	31		Son
Mary Wright	W	F	29		Daughter
Isaac G. Wright	W	M	26		Son

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
Wd		Keeping house		
S		Farmer		
S		At home		
S		Farm Laborer		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Tenn.	N. C.	Ga.
			Tenn.	N. C.	Tenn
			Tenn.	N. C.	Tenn
			Tenn.	N. C.	Tenn

This record indicates that Violet C. (Jetton) Wright was born in about 1826.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Violet C. (Jetton) Wright in the Oakland Cemetery, Trenton, Gibson County, Tennessee:

"Mother
Violet C.
Wife of
Rev. Griffin Wright
1826-1888"

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Griffin Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright who had died in 1867:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on to be heard before Hon. W. B. Turner, Judge, Etc., sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, upon all of the proceedings heretofore had in this cause and upon the proof taken, and more especially upon the report of the Clerk & Master made in this cause, which report is in words and figures as follows: -

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Report of C. & M.
Josh Wright, et al;

In obedience to an Order of Reference in the above styled cause, I beg leave to report that I have taken the depositions of C. A. Wright, Miss Mildred Wright and Susan Rickette, and beg leave to report:

1st. That there are sixty-four acres of the said land which is located in the old Eleventh, New Sixth Civil District of Maury County, Tenn., and is bounded on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, East by the Mt. Pleasant and Enterprise roads, South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and West by the Charleston Mining & Mfg. Company's lands; and from proof, the said land is in a bad state of cultivation and unimproved, the fences very bad around it, and it would take considerable money to fence and improve the place as it has been rented out for a number of years. Its value is from $2500. to $2700.

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:
. . . .

(2) Griffin Wright, who died in 1867, leaving four children: Emma Wright who died without issue, Mary Wright; Griffin Wright who died in infancy, and Gideon Wright who resides at Trenton, Tenn.
. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

3rd. From the proof I beg leave to report that the proof shows the Complainant has been in open, notorious and undisputed possession of this land, paying the taxes thereon, and treating it as her own, but it would be impossible to partition this land in kind among the great number of heirs reported under Item No. 2 of this Report, and it would be manifestly to the interest of all the parties that the said land be sold and the proceeds partitioned, as a partition in kind could not be made and do justice to the great number of parties interested in the lands in question.

Respectfully submitted,
Mora B. Pariss, C.& M.

Said report being fully understood by the Court and unexcepted to, it is in all things ratified and confirmed.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the Clerk & Master proceed to sell said land, as heretofore decreed, on Monday, the 16th day of December, 1918, to the highest and best bidder, free from the right and equity of redemption, homestead and dower, upon the following terms:

One-third cash the day of sale, balance on a credit of twelve and twenty-four months, notes bearing interest from date of sale, with good and personal security required of the purchaser, with lien retained to secure the purchase money, and he will report his action in the premises at the next regular or Special Term of this Court.

Ordered that Court adjourn till tomorrow morning at 9: o'clock

W. B. Turner Judge"

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including the heirs of Griffin Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Honorable W. B. Turner, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, etc.,

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Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on to be heard before the Honorable W. B. Turner, Judge, sitting by interchange with the Honorable Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, on this, the Second day of January, 1919, upon the pleadings and proof, and especially upon the Master's report of sale of the lands described in the bill, which report is in the words and figures following:-

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three

children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown; Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.
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On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including the heirs of Griffin Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
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Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause, came on for hearing on this the 9th day of May, 1919, before the Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., upon the proceedings heretofore had, and especially upon the report of the Clerk & Master upon an order of reference filed in this cause, and said report is in the words and figures as folows:-

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Report of C. & W.
Josh Wright, et al,

In obedience to an order of reference in the above styled cause, I beg leave to report that I have taken the proof on file, and after diligent inquiry I find that it is the only proof obtainable, consisting of the depositions of Miss Mildred Wright, C. A. Wright, Mrs. Susan Ricketts, J. Shelby Coffey, T. M. Hall, and I report as follows:

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

. . . .

(2) Griffin Wright, a son, who died in 1867, leaving as his only heirs at law Mary Wright Webb wife of _____ Webb, and a son Gideon Wright.

. . . .

And said report being seen and fully understood by the Court and being unexcepted to is here by the Court in all things ratified and confirmed. And it further appearing to the Court that the heirs at law of the said Gideon and Nancy Wright, deceased, are correctly set out in said report in so far as same can now be ascertained, their shares and interests in and to the funds on hand in this cause derived from a sale of said land are fixed and decree in accordance with said report.

And the Clerk & Master is directed to disburse said funds to the parties entitled thereto according to said report or to their attorneys of record or powers of attorney duly filed, taking their receipts therefor.

Ordered that Court adjourn till Monday May 12th, at 10: o'clock a.m.

Walter S Bearden Chanclr"

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Griffin Wright and Violet C. (Jetton) Wright were the following:

1) Emma Wright, born in about 1846 or 1847 in Tennessee,

2) John Wright, born in about 1848 in Tennessee,

3) Mary (Wright) Webb, born on February 12, 1850, in Tennessee,

4) Griffin Wright, and

5) Isaac Gideon Wright, born in November 1852 or in about 1854 in Tennessee.

i. Emma Wright

Emma Wright was a daughter of Griffin Wright and Violet C. (Jetton) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], Griffin[4])

The 1850 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Emma Wright in the Griffin Wright household on November 13, 1850, and her age as 3 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

The 1860 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Emma Wright in the V. C. Wright household in 1860 and her age as 14 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

ii. John Wright

John Wright was a son of Griffin Wright and Violet C. (Jetton) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], Griffin[4])

The 1850 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed John Wright in the Griffin Wright household on November 13, 1850, and his age as 2 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1848.

The 1860 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed John Wright in the V. C. Wright household in 1860 and his age as 12 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1848.

The 1880 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed John Wright in the Violet Wright household on June 8, 1880, his relationship as son, and his age as 31 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

iii. Mary J. (Wright) Webb And Her Husband Alban G. Webb

Mary J. (Wright) Webb was a daughter of Griffin Wright and Violet C. (Jetton) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], Griffin[4])

The 1850 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Emma Wright in the Griffin Wright household on November 13, 1850, and her age as 8/12 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about March 1850.

The 1860 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed May [Mary?] Wright in the V. C. Wright household in 1860 and her age as 10 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1850.

The 1880 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Mary Wright in the Violet Wright household on June 8, 1880, her relationship as daughter, and her age as 29 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1851.

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of M. J. Wright and A. G. Webb on October 30, 1883, in Gibson County, Tennessee:

"215

Oct. 30 1883

This day issued to
A. G. Webb
To Marry
M. J. Wright

J. D Carne Clerk.

State of Tennessee
Gibson County.

I solemnized the Rite of Matrimony between the within named parties the ____ day of ____ 187_.

_____"

The 1910 Census for Callahan County, Texas, listed Alban G. Webb with the following household on April 20, 1910:

Line Number	Location: Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
	Third Street		140	143	Alban G. Webb Mary Webb

Relationship	Personal Description						
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number now living
Head	M	W	55	M1	26	.	.
Wife	F	W	50	M1	26	3	0

Nativity			Citizenship	
Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.				
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Mississippi	Mississippi	Mississippi		
Tennessee	North Carolina	Tennessee		

	Occupation		
Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Agent	Real Estate	OA
English	none	.	.

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee.		Education		
Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Whether able to read	Whether able to write	Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
		yes	yes	
		yes	yes	

Ownership of Home				Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
Owned or Rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule			
O	F	H				

This record indicates that Mary J. (Wright) Webb was born in about 1860 and that Alban G. Webb was born in about 1855.

The 1920 Census for Taylor County, Texas, listed Albin G. Webb with the following household on January 7, 1920:

	Location				
Line number	Street, avenue, road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling Number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
	North Fourth Street	1241	94	115	Albin G. Webb Mary J. Webb

Relation.	Tenure.		Personal Description			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	R		M	W	66	M
Wife			F	W	68	M

Citizenship			Education		
Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
				yes	yes
				yes	yes

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person		Father		Mother	
Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Mississippi		North Carolina		Tennessee	
Tennessee		North Carolina		Tennessee	

Occupation

Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
Yes	Agent	Real estate loans	O.A.	702
Yes	none	.	.	

This record indicates that Mary J. (Wright) Webb was born in about 1852 and that Alban G. Webb was born in about 1854.

Findagrave.com listed the death record of Mary J. (Wright) Webb on November 3, 1922, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas:

"Name:	Mary Webb
Death Date:	03 Nov 1922
Death Place:	Abilene, Taylor, Texas
Gender: Female, Race:	White
Death Age:	72 years 8 months 21 days
Birth Date:	12 Feb 1850
Birthplace:	Tenn.
Marital Status:	Married
Father's Name:	Griffin Wright
Father's Birthplace:	N. C.
Mother's Name:	Violet Wright
Mother's Birthplace:	Tenn.
Occupation:	Housewife
Place of Residence:	Abilene, Texas
Burial Place:	Baird, Tex.
Additional Relatives:	X
Film Number:	2074650
Digital Film Number:	4166814

Image Number: 271
Reference Number: cn32762
Collection: Texas Deaths, 1890-1976"

Findagrave.com also listed the gravestone of Mary J. (Wright) Webb in the Ross Cemetery, Baird, Callahan County, Texas:

"Mary J. Wright Webb
Birth: Feb. 12, 1850
Tennessee, USA
Death: Nov. 3, 1922
Abilene
Taylor County
Texas, USA"

The 1930 Census for Vernon County, Missouri, listed A. G. Webb in the Charles A. Orr household on April 8, 1930, his relationship as patient, and his age as 74 and born in Mississippi, indicating a date of birth in about 1856.

Findagrave.com listed the death record of Alban G. Webb on January 29, 1931, in Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto County, Texas:

"Name: A. G. Webb
Death Date: 27 Jan 1931
Death Place: Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto Co., Texas
Gender: Male, Race: White
Death Age: 76 years 6 months 9 days
Birth Date: 09 Aug 1855
Birthplace: Mississippi
Marital Status: Married
Father's Name: B. R. Webb
Mother's Name: Martha Jane Givens
Occupation: Broker And Banker
Burial Place: Baird, Texas
Burial Date: 30 Jan 1931
Film Number: 2135505
Digital Film Number: 4163585
Image Number: 554
Reference Number: 4519
Collection: Texas Deaths, 1890-1976"

Findagrave.com also listed the gravestone of Alban G. Webb in the Ross Cemetery, Baird, Callahan County, Texas:

"Alban G. Webb
Birth: Aug. 9, 1855
Mississippi, USA
Death: Jan. 29, 1931
Mineral Wells
Palo Pinto County
Texas, USA"

iv. 1929 Isaac Gideon Wright Of Gibson County, Tennessee, His Wife Sue (Glass) Wright, And His Descendants

1929 Isaac Gideon Wright of Gibson County, Tennessee, was a son of Griffin Wright and Violet C. (Jetton) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], Griffin[4])

The 1860 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Giddion Wright in the V. C. Wright household in 1860 and his age as 8 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1852.

The 1880 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Isaac G. Wright in the Violet Wright household on June 8, 1880, his relationship as son, and his age as 24 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1856.

The 1900 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Isaac G. Wright with the following household on June 2, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		14	14	Isaac G Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	Nov	1852	47	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
			Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	O	F	F	15

This record indicates that Isaac Gideon Wright was born in November 1852.

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of I. G. Wright and Sue Glass on July 16, 1907, in Madison County, Tennessee:

"No. _____
Marriage License
To I. G. Wright
To Marry Miss Sue Glass
Issued this 15 day of July 1907

Return
State of Tennessee, Madison County
I solemnized the Rites of Matrimony between the within named parties on the 16 day of July 1907

Granville S. Williams, Baptist Minister

State of Tennessee,)
Madison County)

Know all Men by these Presents:
That we, I. G. Wright and M. Jetton of the Countyof Madison and State of Tennessee, are held and firmly bound to the State of Tennessee in the sum of Twelve Hundred Fifty Dollars, to which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, and each and every one of us, jointly and severally, by these presents.

Witness our hands and seals, this 15 day of July 1907

I. G. Wright
M. Jetton

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas, the above bounden I. G. Wright has this day prayed and obtained license to marry Miss Sue Glass; now, if there be no lawful cause to obstruct said marriage, and for which license is desired, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Attest: W T. Blackard Clerk."

The 1910 Census for Gibson County, Tennessee, listed Isaac G. Wright with the following household on May 4, 1910:

Line Number	Location: Street, Avenue, Road etc.	Location: House number or farm	Location: Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
			125	128	Isaac G Wright
					Sue G Wright
					Isaac Wright

Relationship	Personal Description						
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number now living
Head	M	W	56	M1	3	.	.
wife	F	W	37	M1	3	1	1
son	M	W	1-6/12	S	.	.	.

Nativity			Citizenship	
Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.				
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Tennessee	U.S.	Virginia		
Tennessee	U.	Tennessee		
Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee		

	Occupation		
Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Farmer	General Farm	OA
English	none	.	.
.	none	.	.

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee.		Education		
Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Whether able to read	Whether able to write	Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
		yes	yes	
		yes	yes	
		.	.	

Ownership of Home				Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
Owned or Rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule			
O	F	F	121			

This record indicates that Isaac Gideon Wright was born in about 1854 and that Sue (Glass) Wright was born in about 1873.

The 1920 Census for Madison County, Tennessee, listed Isaac Wright with the following household on January 10, 1920:

	Location				
Line number	Street, avenue, road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling Number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
	Deadricks Ave	412	445	515	Isaac Wright
					Sue Wright
					Isaac Wright, Jr
					Fred Holt
					Howard Edwards
					George Burgus

Relation.	Tenure.		Personal Description			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	O	M	M	W	66	M
Wife	.	.	F	W	48	M
Son	.	.	M	W	12	S
Boarder	.	.	M	W	20	S
Boarder	.	.	M	W	18	S
Boarder	.	.	M	W	22	S

Citizenship			Education		
Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			yes	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person		Father		Mother	
Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Tennessee		Tennessee		Tennessee	
Tennessee		Tennessee		Tennessee	
Tennessee		Tennessee		Tennessee	
Tennessee		Mississippi		Tennessee	
Tennessee		Arkansas		Tennessee	
Tennessee		Tennessee		Tennessee	

Occupation				
Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
yes	Retired	.	.	
yes	none	.	.	
yes	none	.	.	
yes	Foreman	Railroad	W	
yes	Carpenter	House	Em	
yes	Section Hand	Railroad	W	

This record indicates that Isaac Gideon Wright was born in about 1854 and the Sue (Glass) Wright was born in about 1872.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Gideon Isaac Wright in the Oakland Cemetery, Trenton, Gibson County, Tennessee:

"Wright
Gideon
1852-1929"

c. 1869 William O. Wright Of Johnson County, Texas, His Wife Mary E. (Crews) Wright, And His Descendants

1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, was a son of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

North Carolina Marriage Collection, 1741-2004 listed the marriage of William O. Wright and Mary E. Crews on April 1, 1835, at Granville County, North Carolina:

"Name: William O. Wright
Spouse: Mary E. Crews
Marriage Date: 1 Apr 1835
Marriage County: Granville
Marriage State: North Carolina
Source Vendor: County Court Records - FHL #0019009
Source: Family History Library, Salt Lake City, UT"

The 1840 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed William O. Wright with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
William O. Wright	1	20-30	1	20-30
	1	0-5	1	0-5

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
					1	10-24	

Number of Persons in each Family Employed in						
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navigation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
5			2			

Learned professions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolutionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Universities or College	Number of Students	Academies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age
in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright were born between 1810 and 1820.

The 1850 Census for Fayette County, Tennessee, listed William O. Wright with the following household on August 23, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
William O. Wright	38	M		None	
Mary E. Wright	34	F			
Ann R. Wright	14	F			
James G. Wright	12	M			
Mary S. Wright	9	F			
Martha E. Wright	7	F			
Thos E. Wright	4	M			
Tryfma (?) W. Wright	9/12	F			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
No Carolina				
No Carolina				
No Carolina				
Tenn				
Tenn				
Tenn				
Tenn				
Tenn				

This record indicates that William O. Wright was born in about 1812 and that Mary E. (Crews) Wright was born in about 1816.

The 1860 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed William O. Wright with the following household on August 3, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Wm. O. Wright	48	M		Farmer	1378
Ann R Wright	24	F		Teacher of com school	
Mary S Wright	19	F		Housewife's app	
Martha E Wright	17	F		Housewife's app	
Thos E Wright	14	M			
Tryphena Wright	10	F			
Geo G Wright	8	M			
John W. Wright	5	M			
Joshua A. Wright	2	M			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
300	N. C.				
	N. C.				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Texas				
	Texas				

This record indicates that William O. Wright was born in about 1812 and the absence of Mary E. (Crews) Wright from the household indicates that she probably died before 1860.

The 1870 Mortality Schedule for Johnson County, Texas, listed the death of W. O. Wright in September 1869:

Name of Every Person Who Died during the Year ending 1st June 1870	Age	Sex	Color	Married or Widowed
W. O. Wright	60	M	W	

Place of Birth	Month in Which Person Died	Parentage	Occupation	Disease or Cause of Death
North Carolina	Sept		Retired Farmer	Liver Tr__

This record indicates that Ambrose Wright was born in about 1810 and died in September 1869.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified William Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright and who had died in about 1870:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on to be heard before Hon. W. B. Turner, Judge, Etc., sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, upon all of the proceedings heretofore had in this cause and upon the proof taken, and more especially upon the report of the Clerk & Master made in this cause, which report is in words and figures as follows: -

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Report of C. & M.
Josh Wright, et al;

In obedience to an Order of Reference in the above styled cause, I beg leave to report that I have taken the depositions of C. A. Wright, Miss Mildred Wright and Susan Rickette, and beg leave to report:

1st. That there are sixty-four acres of the said land which is located in the old Eleventh, New Sixth Civil District of Maury County, Tenn., and is bounded on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, East by the Mt. Pleasant and Enterprise roads, South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and West by the Charleston Mining & Mfg. Company's lands; and from proof, the said land is in a bad state of cultivation and unimproved, the fences very bad around it, and it would take considerable money to fence and improve the place as it has been rented out for a number of years. Its value is from $2500. to $2700.

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(3) William Wright, who died about 1870, leaving two or three children, but whose names and residences are unknown.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

3rd. From the proof I beg leave to report that the proof shows the Complainant has been in open, notorious and undisputed possession of this land, paying the taxes thereon, and treating it as her own, but it would be impossible to partition this land in kind among the great number of heirs reported under Item No. 2 of this Report, and it would be manifestly to the interest of all the parties that the said land be sold and the proceeds partitioned, as a partition in kind could not be made and do justice to the great number of parties interested in the lands in question.

Respectfully submitted,
Mora B. Pariss, C.& M.

Said report being fully understood by the Court and unexcepted to, it is in all things ratified and confirmed.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the Clerk & Master proceed to sell said land, as heretofore decreed, on Monday, the 16th day of December, 1918, to the highest and best bidder, free from the right and equity of redemption, homestead and dower, upon the following terms:

One-third cash the day of sale, balance on a credit of twelve and twenty-four months, notes bearing interest from date of sale, with good and personal security required of the purchaser, with lien retained to secure the purchase money, and he will report his action in the premises at the next regular or Special Term of this Court.

Ordered that Court adjourn till tomorrow morning at 9: o'clock

W. B. Turner Judge"

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including William Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Honorable W. B. Turner, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, etc.,

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on to be heard before the Honorable W. B. Turner, Judge, sitting by interchange with the Honorable Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, on this, the Second day of January, 1919, upon the pleadings and proof, and especially upon the Master's report of sale of the lands described in the bill, which report is in the words and figures following:-

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown; Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.

The Clerk & Master is directed to make and deliver a deed to the said purchaser for said land upon the payment of the usual fee therefor.
. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including William Wright who had died in about 1870:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
. . . .
Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause, came on for hearing on this the 9th day of May, 1919, before the Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., upon the proceedings heretofore had, and especially upon the report of the Clerk & Master upon an order of reference filed in this cause, and said report is in the words and figures as folows:-

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Report of C. & W.
Josh Wright, et al,

In obedience to an order of reference in the above styled cause, I beg leave to report that I have taken the proof on file, and after diligent inquiry I find that it is the only proof obtainable, consisting of the depositions of Miss Mildred Wright, C. A. Wright, Mrs. Susan Ricketts, J. Shelby Coffey, T. M. Hall, and I report as follows:

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.
. . . .

(3) William Wright, a son who died about 1870, leaving two or three children, whose names, ages and residences are unknown.
. . . .

And said report being seen and fully understood by the Court and being unexcepted to is here by the Court in all things ratified and confirmed. And it further appearing to the Court that the heirs at law of the said Gideon and Nancy Wright, deceased, are correctly set out in said report in so far as same can now

be ascertained, their shares and interests in and to the funds on hand in this cause derived from a sale of said land are fixed and decree in accordance with said report.

And the Clerk & Master is directed to disburse said funds to the parties entitled thereto according to said report or to their attorneys of record or powers of attorney duly filed, taking their receipts therefor.

Ordered that Court adjourn till Monday May 12th, at 10: o'clock a.m.

Walter S Bearden Chanclr"

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that William O. Wright married Mary E. Crews and had the following children:

1) Ann R. (Wright) Ray, born in 1836 in North Carolina,
2) James G. Wright, born in 1838 in Tennessee,
3) Mary S. Wright, born in 1841 Tennessee,
4) Martha E. or O. Wright, born in 1843 in Tennessee,
5) Thomas E. Wright, born in 1846 in Tennessee,
6) Tryphena W. (Wright) Wynn, born in 1849 in Tennessee,
7) George G. Wright, born in 1852 in Tennessee,
8) John W. Wright, born in 1855 in Texas, and
9) Joshua Albinus Wright, born in 1858 in Johnson County, Texas.

In her email dated March 30, 2009, RosalieAnn Beasley stated that Sketches of William Hicks, Abner Hicks, Jasper Hicks, George Harris, James Crews, John Earl and something of some of their descendants by Thurston Titus Hicks and published in 1926 stated that:

"The second child of James and Sarah Earl Crews was Mary E. Crews, born December 2nd, 1815. She married William O. Wright, a brother of John W. Wright and uncle of Mr. George Wright. They moved to Tennessee and had children, who in 1875, received their share of the estate of James Crews."

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright were the following:

1) Ann R. (Wright) Ray, born in about 1836 or 1837 in North Carolina,
2) James Gideon Wright, born in March 1838 in Tennessee,

3) Mary S. Wright, born in about 1841 in Tennessee,

4) Martha E. Wright, born in about 1843 in Tennessee,

5) Thomas E. Wright, born in about 1846 in Tennessee,

6) Tryphena (Wright) Wynn, born in about December 1849 in Tennessee,

7) George G. Wright, born in about 1852 in Tennessee,

8) John W. Wright, born in about 1855 in Texas, and

9) Joshua Albinus Wright, born in May 1858 in Johnson County, Texas.

i. Ann R. (Wright) Ray And Her Husband E. B. Ray

Ann R. (Wright) Ray was a daughter of 1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, and Mary E. (Crews) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], Gideon[3], 1869 William O.[4])

The 1850 Census for Fayette County, Tennessee, listed Ann R. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 23, 1850, and her age as 14 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1836.

The 1860 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed Ann R. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 3, 1860, and her age as 24 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1836.

The 1870 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed E. B. Ray with the following household on August 30, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
E. B. Ray	45	M	W	Farmer	1500
Ann Ray	33	F	W	Keeping house	
Annie E. Ray	17	F	W		
Anna Lee Ray	16	F	W		
Bellzora Ray	15	F	W		
W. M. Ray	15	M	W		
Josie Ray	13	F	W		
Fannie Ray	8	F	W		

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
4500	N. C.			.	
	N. C.			.	
	Texas			1	
	Tenn			1	
	Texas			1	
	Texas			1	
	Texas			1	
	Texas			.	

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

1

This record indicates that Ann R. (Wright) Ray was born in about 1837 and that E. B. Ray was born in about 1825. The ages of the children in the household indicate that, except possibly Fannie, they were all children of E. B. Ray by his first marriage.

The 1880 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed E. B. Ray on June 1, 1880, but with only daughter F. A. Ray and nephew W. M. Ray in his household and without Ann R. (Wright) Ray, indicating that she had died before June 1, 1880.

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that Ann R. Wright was a daughter of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright, was born in 1836 in North Carolina, married E. B. Ray, and died between 1870 and 1876 and that Ann R. (Wright) Ray and E. B. Ray had no children.

In her Ancestry.com posting dated April 2, 2009, in the Sketches With Dupree and Yerkes Family Tree RosalieAnn Beasley stated that:

> "When he married Ann Wright, E. B. Ray was a widower with five children. In 1869, E. B. Ray successfully petitioned the court to become temporary administrator of the estate of Ann's father, W. O. Wright, He handled the inventory and sale of the property.
>
> Ann must have died before 1880 because E. B. Ray appears on the Johnson County Census with two of his children, but Ann is no longer part of the family. He and Ann had no children."

ii. James Gideon Wright, His Wives Tesina Or Tennessee Ann (Mordecai) Wright And Fannie Elizabeth (Presley) Wright, And His Descendants

James Gideon Wright was a son of 1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, and Mary E. (Crews) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], Gideon[3], 1869 William O.[4])

The 1850 Census for Fayette County, Tennessee, listed James G. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 23, 1850, and his age as 12 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1838.

The 1850 Census for Prairie County, Arkansas, listed Tennessee Mordica in the Isaac Mordica household on September 11, 1850, and her age as 3 and born in Arkansas, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

Arkansas Marriages, 1851-1900 listed the marriage of James G. Wright and Thnnessee [Tennessee] A. Mordacai on October 29, 1862, in Prairie County, Arkansas:

"Name:	James G. Wright
Spouse:	Thnnessee A. Mordacai
Marriage Date:	29 Oct 1862
County:	Prairie
State:	AR"

The 1870 Census for Independence County, Arkansas, listed James G. Wright with the following household on July 22, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
James G Wright	32	M	W	Farmer	
Gennesse A Wright	23	F	W	Keeping house	
William L Wright	6	M	W		
Gibson A Wright	4	M	W		
Jerush A Wright	8/12	F	W		

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
300	Tennessee		.		
	Arkansas		.		
	Missouri		.		
	Missouri		.		
	Arkansas		Sept		

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

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This record indicates that James Gideon Wright was born in about 1838 and that Tennessee (Mordecai) Wright was born in about 1847.

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that among the papers of the James Crews estate in Granville County, North Carolina, is the following receipt of James G. Wright dated July 20, 1876:

> "Received of James A. Crews and Joseph P. Hunt Executors of James Crews Dec two hundred and sixty six dollars and fifty is in full of my distributive Shear in Said estate provided I have three Brothers or sisters living this the 20th day of July AD 1876.
>
> James G. Wright"

The 1880 Census for Van Buren County, Arkansas, listed James G. Wright with the following household on June 10, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
James G. Wright	W	M	42		.
Tesina Wright	W	F	32		Wife
William L Wright	W	M	15		Son
Gerusha A Wright	W	F	10		Daughter
Constantine Wright	W	M	5		Son
Edgar H Wright	W	M	2		Son

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Farmer		
M		Keeping house		
S		Working on farm		
S		.		
S		.		
S		.		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
			Arkansas	Ala	Miss
			Arkansas	Tenn	Ark
			Arkansas	Tenn	Ark
			Arkansas	Tenn	Ark
			Arkansas	Tenn	Ark

This record indicates that James Gideon Wright was born in about 1838 and that Tennessee Ann (Mordecai) Wright was born in about 1848.

Arkansas, County Marriages Index, 1837-1957 listed the marriage of James D. Wright and Fannie E. Presley on January 2, 1883, in Van Buren County, Arkansas:

"Name:	James D Wright
Age:	43
Birth Year:	abt 1840
Residence:	Van Buren, Arkansas
Spouse's Name:	Fannie E Presley
Spouse's Age:	21
Spouse's Residence:	Van Buren, Arkansas
Marriage Date:	2 Jan 1883
Marriage License Date:	1 Jan 1883
Marriage County:	Van Buren
Event Type:	Marriage
FHL Film Number:	2131883"

This record indicates that Tennessee Ann (Mordecai) Wright had died before January 1, 1883.

The 1900 Census for Hopkins County, Texas, listed James G. Wright with the following household on June 5, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		55	55	James G. Wright
				Fannie E. Wright
				Mary D. Wright
				John G. Wright
				Tripphena A. Wright
				James A. Wright
				Other T. Wright
				Samuel A. Wright
				Emma E. Wright
				George F. Wright
				Vernon H. Wright
				Jonas S. Wright
				____ Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	Mar	1838	62	M
Wife	W	F	Mar	1860	40	M
Daughter	W	F	Feb	1884	16	S
Son	W	M	June	1885	14	S
Daughter	W	F	Jan	1887	13	S
Son	W	M	Nov	1889	10	S
Son	W	M	Nov	1889	10	S
Son	W	M	Aug	1890	9	S
Daughter	W	F	Dec	1892	7	S
Son	W	M	Oct	1894	5	S
Son	W	M	Mar	1896	4	S
Son	W	M	Dec	1897	2	S
Son	W	M	Mar	1900	3/12	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
17	.	.	Tennessee	N. Carolina	N. Carolina
17	11	11	Arkansas	Arkansas	Texas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	.
			.	.	.
			.	.	.
			At School	.	2
			At School	.	2
			At School	.	2
			At School	.	2
			At School	.	2
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			.	.	.

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	no	yes				
yes	no	yes				
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This record indicates that James Gideon Wright was born in March 1838, that Tennesse A. (Mordecai) Wright had died before about 1883, that James Gideon Wright and Fannie Elizabeth (Presley) Wright were married in about 1883, and that Fannie Elizabeth (Presley) Wright was born in March 1840.

The 1910 Census for Hopkins County, Texas, listed James G. Right with the following household on April 28, 1910:

	Location				Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
Line Number	Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	
			211	211	James G Right Fannie E Right Samual A Right Ema E. Right Vernon H Right Jonas S. Right Myrtle T. Right Haskell P Right

Relationship	Personal Description						
						Mother of how many children	
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Number born	Number now living
Head	M	W	72	M2	27	.	.
Wife	F	W	49	M1	27	13	10
Son	M	W	18	S			
Daughter	F	W	17	S			
Son	M	W	13	S			
Son	M	W	12	S			
Daughter	F	W	7	S			
Son	M	W	5	S			

Nativity			Citizenship	
Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.				
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Tennessee	North Carolina	North Carolina		
Arkansas	Arkansas	Texas		
Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas		
Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas		
Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas		
Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas		
Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas		
Texas	Tennessee	Arkansas		

Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Occupation: Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	Occupation: General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Occupation: Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Farm	General Farm	OA
English	None	.	.
English	Farm	General Farm	OA
English	None	.	.
English	Farm laborer	Home Farm	W
English	Farm laborer	Home Farm	W
.	None	.	.
.	None	.	.

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee. Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Occupation (cont'd) If an employee. Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Education: Whether able to read	Education: Whether able to write	Education: Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
.	.	yes	yes	.
.	.	yes	yes	.
.	.	yes	yes	no
.	.	yes	yes	no
No	0	yes	yes	yes
No	0	yes	yes	yes
.	.	.	.	no
.	.	.	.	no

Ownership of Home: Owned or Rented	Ownership of Home: Owned free or mortgaged	Ownership of Home: Farm or house	Ownership of Home: Number of farm schedule	Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
O	F	F	211			

This record indicates that James Gideon Wright was born in about 1838 and that Fannie Elizabeth (Presley) Wright was born in about 1861.

The 1920 Census for Hopkins County, Texas, listed James G. Wright with the following household on January 7, 1920:

	Location				
Line number	Street, avenue, road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling Number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
	Cedar Grove Street		25	26	James G Wright Fanny Wright Jonas S Wright Lauren(?) Wright Haskell Wright Myrtle Wright

Relation.	Tenure.		Personal Description			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	O	M	M	W	82	M
wife			F	W	58	M
son			M	W	22	M
daughter in law			F	W	222	M
son			M	W	15	S
daughter			F	W	18	S

Citizenship			Education		
Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			yes	yes	yes
			yes	yes	yes

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person		Father		Mother	
Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Texas		US		US	
Arkansas		Arkansas		Texas	
Texas		Tennessee		Arkansas	
Texas		Texas		Texas	
Texas		Tennessee		Arkansas	
Texas		Tennessee		Arkansas	

Occupation

Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
yes	farmer	farm		
yes	none			
yes	farmer	home farm		
yes	laborer	Home farm		
yes	laborer	Home farm		
yes	laborer	Home farm		

This record indicates that James Gideon Wright was born in about 1838 and that Fannie Elizabeth (Presley) Wright was born in about 1862.

Findagrave.com listed the tombstone of J. G. Wright in the Greenview Cemetery, Hopkins County, Texas:

"J. G. Wright
1838-1920"

The death record of Fannie Elizabeth Wright was dated on August 2, 1935, in Hopkins County, Texas:

"Texas Department of Health
Bureau of Vital Statistics
1. Place of Death

State of Texas
County of Hopkins
City or Precinct No. Brashear Rt 1

Length of residence	35 yrs
2. Full Name of Deceased	Fannie Elizabeth Wright
Residence of the Deceased	Brashear Rt 1 Texas
Personal And Statistical Particulars	
3. Sex	Female
4. Color or Race	white
5. Single, Married, Widowed, Divorced	Widowed
5a. Husband or Wife of	J. G. Wright
6. Date of Birth	March 21 - 1860
7. Age	75 Years
Occupation	
8. Trade, profession	Housewife
9. Industry or Business	
10. Date deceased last worked	
11. Total time spent in this occupation	
12. Birthplace	Arkansas
Father	
13. Name	Frank Presley
14. Birthplace	Dont know
Mother	
15. Maiden Name	Dont know
16. Birthplace	Dont know
17. Informant	Sam Wright
Address	Brashear Rt 1
18. Burial, Cremation, or Removal	Grandview Austin 8/3, 1935
19. Undertaker	H. M. Trapp
20. Signature of Registrar	
File Date	8 - 7 19__
	B. L. McEl__

Medical Certificate of Death

21. Date of Death 8/2, 1935

22. I hereby certify, That I attended deceased from 12/23/35 to 8/1/35. I last saw h__ alive on 8/1/1935 late P.M. death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at ____ m. The principal cause of death and related causes of importance were as follows:

Senile Decay
Bowel Harmorrhage

23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in the following:
24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased
If so, specify A. J. Thomas
(Address) Sulphur Springs(?) M D"

Findagrave.com listed the tombstone of F. E. Wright in the Greenview Cemetery, Hopkins County, Texas:

"F. E. Wright
1860-1935"

Findagrave.com also listed the following information for James Gideon Wright:

"Birth: Mar. 6, 1838
Tennessee, USA
Death: Sep. 4, 1920
Greenview
Hopkins County
Texas, USA

James Gideon was the son of William O. and Mary E. "Crews" Wright. His father was born in 1812 in NC and died 15 Sep 1869 in Johnson Co., TX and his mother was born 2 Dec 1815 in NC and died in Jan 1860 in Johnson Co., TX. She died from Typhoid Fever.
James Gideon was a Confederate soldier in Co. C of the 12th Texas Cavalry. He was also a farmer. He married (1) Tennessee Ann Mordecai, daughter of Isaac R. and Mary Ann "Smith" Mordecai, 29 Oct 1862 in Brownsville, Prairie Co. Arkansas. They were the parents of 10 children. Of the 10, only three lived to adulthood and were married. They were William Lee, Jerusha Amanda and Edward H.
After the death of Tennessee Ann on Oct 29, 1882, he married (2) Fannie Elizabeth Presley about Jul 1883. They became the parents of 13 children, including a set of twins.

Family links:
Spouse:
F. E. Wright (1860 - 1935)

Children:
William Lee Wright (1865 - 1935)*
Jerusha Amanda Wright Penick (1869 - 1901)*
Edward H. Wright (1877 - 1950)*

*Calculated relationship

Burial:
Greenview Cemetery
Greenview
Hopkins County
Texas, USA

Maintained by: Ruby Mordecai
Originally Created by: Gena Forsyth
Record added: Apr 17, 2007
Find A Grave Memorial# 18987993"

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that James G. Wright was a son of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright, was born in about 1838 in Tennessee, served as a member of Parson's Mounted Volunteers, 12th Cavalry Regiment, in the Civil War.

iii. Mary S. Wright

Mary S. Wright was a daughter of 1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, and Mary E. (Crews) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], Gideon[3], 1869 William O.[4])

The 1850 Census for Fayette County, Tennessee, listed Mary S. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 23, 1850, and her age as 9 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1841.

The 1860 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed Mary S. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 3, 1860, and her age as 19 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1841.

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that Mary S. Wright was a daughter of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright, was born in 1841 in Tennessee, and resided in 1860 in Johnson County, Texas.

iv. Martha E. Wright

Martha E. Wright was a daughter of 1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, and Mary E. (Crews) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], Gideon[3], 1869 William O.[4])

The 1850 Census for Fayette County, Tennessee, listed Martha E. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 23, 1850, and her age as 7 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1843.

The 1860 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed Martha E. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 3, 1860, and her age as 17 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1843.

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that Martha E. or O. Wright was a daughter of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright, was born in 1843 in Tennessee, and resided in 1860 in Johnson County, Texas.

v. Thomas E. Wright

Thomas E. Wright was a son of 1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, and Mary E. (Crews) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], Gideon[3], 1869 William O.[4])

The 1850 Census for Fayette County, Tennessee, listed Thos. E. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 23, 1850, and his age as 4 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

The 1860 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed Thos. E. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 3, 1860, and his age as 14 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1846.

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that Thomas E. Wright was a son of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright, was born in 1846 in Tennessee, and resided in 1860 in Johnson County, Texas.

vi. Tryphena (Wright) Wynn And Her Husband Martin V. Wynn

Tryphena (Wright) Wynn was a daughter of 1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, and Mary E. (Crews) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], Gideon[3], 1869 William O.[4])

The 1850 Census for Fayette County, Tennessee, listed Tryfma (?) W. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 23, 1850, and her age as 9/12 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about December 1849.

The 1860 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed Tryphena Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 3, 1860, and her age as 10 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1850.

The 1870 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed M. V. Wynn with the following household on September 21, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
M. V. Wynn	26	M	W	Farmer	300
Triphey Wynn	20	F	W	Keeping house	
J. A. Wright	12	M	W		

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
175	Ark	Sep		.	.
	Tenn			1	1
	Texas			.	.

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
.		1	
1		.	
.		.	

This record indicates that Tryphena (Wright) Wynn was born in about 1850 and that Martin V. Wynn was born in about 1844.

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that Tryphena W. Wright was a daughter of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright, was born in 1849 in Tennessee, married Martin V. Wynn in 1869, and resided in 1875 in Wise County, Texas, that Martin V. Wynn resided in 1900 in the Creek Nation, Indian Territory, and that Tryphena W. (Wright) Wynn and Martin V. Wynn had no children.

vii. 1873/74 George W. Wright Of Navarro County, Texas

1873/74 George W. Wright of Navarro County, Texas, was a son of 1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, and Mary E. (Crews) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], Gideon[3], 1869 William O.[4])

The 1860 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed George W. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 3, 1860, and his age as 8 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1852.

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that among the papers of the James Crews estate in Granville County, North Carolina, is a letter dated July 10, 1876, from J. R. McKinsey of Johnson County, Texas, which stated that:

> "George [George G. Wright] died some 2 or 3 years ago at Corsicana, Navarro County, Texas."

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that George G. Wright was a son of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright and was born in 1852 in Tennessee.

viii. John W. Wright

John W. Wright was a son of 1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, and Mary E. (Crews) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], Gideon[3], 1869 William O.[4])

The 1860 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed John W. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 3, 1860, and his age as 5 and born in Texas, indicating a date of birth in about 1855.

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that among the papers of the James Crews estate in Granville County, North Carolina, is a letter dated July 10, 1876, from J. R. McKinsey of Johnson County, Texas, which stated that:

> "John turned out to be very reckless, committed two or three thefts, was detected, arrested, tried, sentenced, sent to the Penitentiary, remained there for a time, made his escape from it, and is reported as having died recently in Eastern Texas."

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that John W. Wright was a son of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright and was born in 1855 in Texas.

ix. 1946 Joshua Albinus Wright Of Choctaw County, Oklahoma, His Wife Penelope Chesintine (McGlothlin) Wright, And His Descendants

1946 Joshua Albinus Wright of Choctaw County, Oklahoma, was a son of 1869 William O. Wright of Johnson County, Texas, and Mary E. (Crews) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], Gideon[3], 1869 William O.[4])

The 1860 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed Joshua A. Wright in the William O. Wright household on August 3, 1860, and his age as 2 and born in Texas, indicating a date of birth in about 1858.

The 1870 Census for Johnson County, Texas, listed J. A. Wright in the M. V. Wynn with the following household on September 21, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
M. V. Wynn	26	M	W	Farmer	300
Triphey Wynn	20	F	W	Keeping house	
J. A. Wright	12	M	W		

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
175	Ark	Sep		.	.
	Tenn			1	1
	Texas			.	.

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
.		1	
1		.	
.		.	

This record indicates that Joshua Albinus Wright was born in about 1858.

In her email dated September 10, 2005, Doris Wheeler stated that among the papers of the James Crews estate in Granville County, North Carolina, is a letter dated July 10, 1876, from J. R. McKinsey of Johnson County, Texas, which stated that:

> "Joshua Albinus (Biny for short) is the youngest child of William O. Wright - he is 18 years old, has no guardian, has no permanent place of abode, is good industrious and shift boy, and wants to know all about his grandfather James Crews . . . ."

The 1880 Census for Wise County, Texas, listed Joshua A. Wright in the James K. Tate household on June 30, 1880, his relationship as boarder, his age as 22 and born in Texas, indicating a date of birth in about 1858, and his occupation as farmer, and his father as born in North Carolina and his mother as born in Tennessee.

The 1900 Census for Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory (now Oklahoma), listed Joshua A. Wright with the following household on June 9, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		53	53	Joshua A Wright Penelope C Wright Mattie E Wright Rosa A Wright William O Wright Susa Wright William Brown Minnie Brown

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	May	1858	42	M
Wife	W	F	Oct	1865	34	M
Daughter	W	F	Oct	1883	16	S
Daughter	W	F	Feb	1886	14	S
Son	W	M	Nov	1888	11	S
Daughter	W	F	Jan	1891	9	S
Boarder	W	M	May	1882	28	Wd
Boarder	W	F	Sept	1899	8/12	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
18	.	.	Texas	Tennessee	North Carolina
18	6	4	Missouri	Texas	Missouri
.	.	.	Texas	Texas	Missouri
.	.	.	Indian Ter	Texas	Missouri
.	.	.	Indian Ter	Texas	Missouri
.	.	.	Indian Ter	Texas	Missouri
.	.	.	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri
.	.	.	Indian Ter	Missouri	Indian Ter

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	0
			.	.	0
			.	.	0
			.	.	0
			Farm laborer	.	0
			.	.	.
			Farm laborer	4	0
			.	.	.

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
yes	yes	yes	R		F	64
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	yes	yes				
yes	no	yes				
.	.	.				
yes	yes	yes				
.	.	.				

This record indicates that Joshua Albinus Wright was born in May 1858 and that Penelope Chesentine (McGlothlin) Wright was born in October 1865. Although the length of their marriage was listed as 10 years, this was probably a mistake of the census taker and the length of their marriage was actually 20 years.

The 1910 Census for Pontotoc County, Oklahoma, listed Joshua Wright with the following household on May 27, 1910:

Line Number	Location: Street, Avenue, Road etc.	Location: House number or farm	Location: Dwelling number	Location: Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
53			350	350	Joshua Wright Nellie C. Wright Mattie Wright William O. Wright Sussie Wright Minnie Brown

Relationship: Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Personal Description: Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Mother of how many children: Number born	Number now living
Head	M	W	52	M1	27	.	.
Wife	F	W	45	M1	27	6	4
Daughter	F	W	25	S	.	.	.
Son	M	W	24	S	.	.	.
Ward	F	W	10	S	.	.	.

Nativity: Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.			Citizenship	
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Texas	Tennessee	N. Carolina		
Missouri	Va(?)	US(?)		
Texas	Texas	Missouri		
Texas	Texas	Missouri		
Oklahoma	Texas	Missouri		

Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Occupation: Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	Occupation: General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Occupation: Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Farmer	General	Self(?)
English	None	.	.
English	None	.	.
English	Fam Labor	own Farm	W
English	None	.	.

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee. Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Occupation (cont'd) If an employee. Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Education: Whether able to read	Education: Whether able to write	Education: Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
.	.	yes	yes	.
.	.	yes	yes	.
.	.	yes	yes	.
no	0	yes	yes	.
.	.	yes	yes	yes

Ownership of Home: Owned or Rented	Ownership of Home: Owned free or mortgaged	Ownership of Home: Farm or house	Ownership of Home: Number of farm schedule	Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
R		F	140			

This record indicates that Joshua Albinus Wright was born in about 1858 and that Penelope Chesintine (McGlothlin) Wright was born in about 1865.

The 1920 Census for Atoka County, Oklahoma, listed Joshua Wright with the following household on January 13, 1920:

Line number	Location: Street, avenue, road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling Number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
86			37	45	Joshua Wright
					Nellie Wright

Relation. Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Tenure. Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Personal Description: Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	O	F	M	W	61	M
Wife			F	W	54	M

Citizenship: Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Education: Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
				yes	yes
				yes	yes

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person: Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Father: Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Mother: Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Texas		Tennessee		Tennessee	
Missouri		Missouri		Missouri	

Occupation				
Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
yes	Farming	General farm	OA	40
yes	none			

This record indicates that Joshua Albinus Wright was born in about 1859 and that Penelope Chesintine (McGlothlin) Wright was born in about 1866.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Penelope Chesentine (McGlothlin) Wright in the Crowder Springs Cemetery, Boswell, Choctaw County, Oklahoma:

"Come Ye Blessed
Nellie Wright
Nov 13, 1865
Oct 20, 1927
Wright"

Findagrave.com also listed the following information for this gravestone:

"Birth: Nov. 19, 1865
Missouri, USA
Death: Oct. 20, 1927
Choctaw County
Oklahoma, USA

Penelope was the daughter of Joshua McGlothlin and Manerva Wood. She was married to Joshua A. Wright and was the mother of five children. Her headstone in Crowder Springs Cemetery reads "Nellie Wright."

Family links:
Children:
Mattie Elizabeth Wright Russell (1883 - 1925)*
Rosa Wright Ringgold (1886 - 1943)*
William Owen Wright (1888 - 1932)*
Susie E. Wright Bynum (1891 - 1981)*

*Calculated relationship

Burial:
Crowder Springs Cemetery
Boswell
Choctaw County
Oklahoma, USA

Created by: Doris Wheeler
Record added: May 06, 2005
Find A Grave Memorial# 10923716"

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of J. A. Wright in the Restland Cemetery, Boswell, Choctaw County, Oklahoma:

"J. A. Wright
May 16, 1858
Oct. 17, 1946"

Findagrave.com also listed the following information for this gravestone:

"Birth: May, 1858
Johnson County
Texas, USA
Death: Oct. 17, 1946
Boswell
Choctaw County
Oklahoma, USA

Joshua was the son of William O. Wright and Mary E. Crews. He was married to Penelope C. McGlothlin and was the father of five children.

Family links:
Children:
Mattie Elizabeth Wright Russell (1883 - 1925)*
Rosa Wright Ringgold (1886 - 1943)*
William Owen Wright (1888 - 1932)*
Susie E. Wright Bynum (1891 - 1981)*

*Calculated relationship

Burial:
Restland Cemetery
Boswell
Choctaw County
Oklahoma, USA

Created by: Doris Wheeler
Record added: May 06, 2005
Find A Grave Memorial# 10923742"

In her emails dated September 10, 2005, and October 1, 2006, Doris Wheeler stated that Joshua Albinus Wright was a son of William O. Wright and Mary E. (Crews) Wright, was born in May 1858 in Johnson County, Texas, resided in 1860 and 1870 in Johnson County, Texas, resided in 1880 in Wise County, Texas, married Penelope Chesintine McGlothlin between 1880 and 1883 probably in either Wise County or Cooke County, Texas, resided in 1886 and thereafter in Choctaw County, Oklahoma, died on October 17, 1946, in Boswell, Choctaw County, Oklahoma, and was buried in the Boswell Cemetery, that Penelope Chesintine (McGlothlin) Wright was born on November 19, 1865, in Missouri, resided in 1870 in Hickory County, Missouri, resided in 1880 in Cooke County, Texas, and died on October 20, 1927, in Choctaw County, Oklahoma, and that Joshua Albinus Wright and Penelope Chesintine (McGlothlin) Wright had the following children:

1) Mattie E. Wright, born in October 1883 in Texas,

2) Rosa (Wright) Ringold, born on February 19, 1886, in Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, Oklahoma,

3) William Owen Wright, born on November 6, 1888, in Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, Oklahoma,

4) Susa "Susie" (Wright) Bynum, born in January 1891 in Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, and

5) ____ Wright, born and died before 1900.

d. Melvina (Wright) Hall, Her Husband Joseph A. Hall, And Her Descendants

Melvina (Wright) Hall was a daughter of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of Malvina Wright and Joseph A. Hall on September 22, 1828, at Maury County, Tennessee:

"Know all men by these presents, that we, ____ of the county of ____ and State of Tennessee, are held and firmly bound unto the Governor of the said State, for the time being in the sum of $1250 to be paid to his excellency, his successors in office or assigns, to which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and Administrators, and each and every of us and them, jointly and severally by these presents. Witness our hands and seals this 22nd day of Sept 1828.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas Joseph A Hall hath prayed and obtained a license to marry Malvina Wright

Now if the said ____ be an actual resident of the aforesaid county, and there shall not appear any lawful cause why the said ____ should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, as husband and wife, then this obligation to be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Joseph A Hall
R. A. Partan"

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Joseph A. Hall with the following household on November 7, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Joseph A Hall	49	m		Farmer	1300
Malvina Hall	42	f		.	
Joseph Hall	21	m		Farmer	
Gideon Hall	18	m		Farmer	
James Hall	17	m		Farmer	
Susan Hall	15	f		.	
Theophilus Hall	13	m		.	
John Hall	8	m		.	
Thos Hall	7	m		.	
George Hall	4	m		.	
Joshua Hall	2	m		.	
Anna Hall	2/12	f		.	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
N. C		.		.
N. C		.		.
Tenn		1		.
Tenn		.		.
Tenn		.		.
Tenn		.		.
Tenn		.		.
Tenn		.		Dumb
Tenn		1		.
Tenn		.		.
Tenn		.		.
Tenn		.		.

This record indicates that Malvina (Wright) Hall was born in about 1808 and that Joseph A. Hall was born in 1801.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed J. A. Hall with the following household on June 22, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
J. A. Hall	59	m		Farmer	2, 380
Malvina Hall	52	f		.	
John Hall	18	m		.	
George M. Hall	14	m		Farmer	
Joshua K. Hall	12	m		.	
Annie Hall	10	f		.	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
8,000	N C		.		.
	N C		.		.
	Tenn		.		Deaf but not dumb
	Tenn		1		.
	Tenn		1		.
	Tenn		1		.

This record indicates that Malvina (Wright) Hall was born in about 1808 and that Joseph A. Hall was born in 1801.

The 1870 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Joseph Hall with the following household on August 5, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Joseph Hall	68	M	W	Farmer	3580
Malvina Hall	60	F	W	Keeping house	
Thomas Hall	25	M	W	at home	
Joshua Hall	22	M	W	.	
Anna Hall	18	F	W	.	
Susan Benfoor	35	F	W	.	
Vetura Benfoor	13	F	W	.	
Melvina Benfoor	9	F	W	.	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
2250	N C				
	N C				
	Tenn				
	Tenn				
	Tenn				
	Tenn				
	Tenn				
	Tenn				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
		1	
		.	
		1	
		1	
		.	
		.	
		.	
		.	

This record indicates that Malvina (Wright) Hall was born in about 1810 and that Joseph A. Hall was born in 1802.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Joseph A. Hall in the Ebenezer Cemetery, Southport, Maury County, Tennessee:

"Birth: Mar. 7, 1802
Death: Oct. 2, 1874

"Father."

Burial:
Ebenezer Cemetery
Southport
Maury County
Tennessee, USA

Created by: Mary Bob McClain
Record added: Dec 14, 2008
Find A Grave Memorial# 32159076"

The 1880 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mrs. Melvina Hall with the following household on June 11, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Mrs Melvina Hall	W	F	73		.
Mrs Susan Renfroe	W	F	44		Daughter
Beatura Renfroe	W	F	21		Grand daughter
Melvina Renfroe	W	F	18		Grand daughter
Thomas M Hall	W	M	35		Son
Joshua Hall	W	M	32		Son

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
Wd		Housekeeping		
Wd		Housekeeping		
S		house girl		
S		house girl		
S		Farmer		
S		Farmer		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			N. Carolina	N. Carolina	North Carol
			Tennessee	North Carolina	North Carolina
			Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Tennessee	North Carolina	North Carolina
			Tennessee	North Carolina	North Carolina

This record indicates that Malvina (Wright) Hall was born in about 1807. The absence of Joseph A. Hall from the household indicates that he died before June 11, 1880.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Malavina R. Hall in the Ebenezer Cemetery, Southport, Maury County, Tennessee:

"Birth: Jan. 24, 1807
Death: Oct. 24, 1885

"Mother."

Burial:
Ebenezer Cemetery
Southport
Maury County
Tennessee, USA

Created by: Mary Bob McClain
Record added: Dec 14, 2008
Find A Grave Memorial# 32159082"

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Melvina (Wright) Hall as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918
. . . .
Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause came on to be heard before Hon. W. B. Turner, Judge, Etc., sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, upon all of the proceedings heretofore had in this cause and upon the proof taken, and more

especially upon the report of the Clerk & Master made in this cause, which report is in words and figures as follows: -

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(4) Melvina Wright Hall who died about 1874, leaving Joe Hall who died without heirs, James Hall who died without heirs, Susan Ricketts, Lollie Hall who died leaving two small children whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Josh Hall who died without heirs, Addison Hall who died without heirs, and Jno. Hall who died without heirs, Annie Hall Nowlin, who died leaving five children whose names and residences are unknown.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

. . . .

Respectfully submitted,
Mora B. Pariss, C.& M.

. . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including descendants of Melvina (Wright) Hall:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown;

Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.
. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Malvina (Wright) Hall:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
. . . .
Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

This cause, came on for hearing on this the 9th day of May, 1919, before the Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, and etc., upon the proceedings heretofore had, and especially upon the report of the Clerk & Master upon an order of reference filed in this cause, and said report is in the words and figures as folows:-

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Report of C. & W.
Josh Wright, et al,

In obedience to an order of reference in the above styled cause, I beg leave to report that I have taken the proof on file, and after diligent inquiry I find that it is the only proof obtainable, consisting of the depositions of Miss Mildred Wright, C. A. Wright, Mrs. Susan Ricketts, J. Shelby Coffey, T. M. Hall, and I report as follows:

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

. . . .

(4) Malvina Wright Hall, a daughter who died about 1874, leaving as her only heirs at law Susan Ricketts a daughter, Lollie Hall, a son who died leaving two children, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, a son, Madison Hall, a son, Annie Hall Nowlin, a daughter who died leaving as her only heirs at law five (5) children whose names and residences are unknown,

. . . .

Respectfully submitted,
Mora B. Fariss, Clerk & Master.

. . . ."

e. James Wright

James Wright was a son of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified James Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(5) James Wright, who died without heirs.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is

not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

. . . .

Respectfully submitted,
Mora B. Pariss, C.& M.

. . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown; Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including James Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

The said Gideon and Nancy Wright had the following named other children who died leaving no children surviving them, they never having married, James Wright, Thomas Wright, Martha Wright, and Mary Wright, and the following other named children who had married but died leaving no children, Valera Wright Burkett, Madelade Wright Winterich.

. . . ."

f. Richard Wright

Richard Wright was a son of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Richard Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(6) Richard Wright, who died without heirs.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

. . . .

(9 Richard Wright, a son, who sold and transferred his interest in the tract of land sold in this cause to his sister Miss Mildred Wright, during his life time, who has since died and left no children he never having been married.

. . . ."

g. <u>John Wright Of Texas, His Wife ( ) Wright, And His Descendants</u>

John Wright of Texas was a son of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Jon. W. Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(7) Jno. Wright, who died in Texas leaving Gid Wright, Willie Wright, and Wright Brooks.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
. . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including Jno. W. Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

. . . .
It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown; Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.
. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Josh Wright, who should have been listed as John Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

. . . .

(5) Josh Wright, a son, who died in the State of Texas a number of years ago leaving as his only heirs at law, Gid Wright, a son, Willie Wright, and Maggie Wright Brooks, (reported to be dead).

. . . ."

h. Mary Wright

Mary Wright was a daughter of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mary Wright in the Gideon Wright household on November 5, 1850, her age as 33 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1817.

The 1870 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mary Wright with the following household on August 3, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Mary Wright	55	F	W	Farmer & keeping house	2680
Martha Wright	42	F	W	At home	
Mildred Wright	39	F	W	.	
Madlade Wright	33	F	W	.	
William Curry	15	M	W	Boarder	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
1540	N. Ca				
	N. Ca				
	N. Ca				
	N. Ca				
	Tenn				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

This record indicates that Mary Wright was born in about 1815.

The 1880 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mary Wright with the following household on June 23, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Mary Wright	W	F	67		.
Martha Wright	W	F	56		Sister
Mildred Wright	W	F	44		Sister
Madelen Wright	W	F	39		Sister

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
S		Farming		
S		Farming		
S		Farming		
S		Farming		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			North Carolina	Va	NC
			North Carolina	Va	NC
			Tenn	Va	NC
			Tenn	Va	NC

This record indicates that Mary Wright was born in about 1813.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Mary Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

> "October Term, 4th Day of December 1918
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> . . . .
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> Miss Mildred Wright,
> VS-#2171, Decree
> Josh Wright, et al,
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> . . . .
>
> 2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:
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> . . . .
>
> (14) Mary Wright, who died without children.
>
> . . . .
>
> That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
>
> . . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Mary Wright:

> "Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
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> . . . .
>
> Miss Mildred Wright,
> VS-#2171, Decree on Report
> Josh Wright, et al,
>
> . . . .
>
> 1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.
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> . . . .
>
> The said Gideon and Nancy Wright had the following named other children who died leaving no children surviving them, they never having married, James Wright, Thomas Wright, Martha Wright, and Mary Wright, and the following other named children who had married but died leaving no children, Valera Wright Burkett, Madelade Wright Winterich.
>
> . . . ."

i. Thomas Wright

Thomas Wright was a son of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Thomas Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(8) Thomas Wright, who died without children.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Thomas Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

The said Gideon and Nancy Wright had the following named other children who died leaving no children surviving them, they never having married, James

Wright, Thomas Wright, Martha Wright, and Mary Wright, and the following other named children who had married but died leaving no children, Valera Wright Burkett, Madelade Wright Winterich.
. . . ."

j. Martha Wright

Martha Wright was a daughter of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Martha Wright in the Gideon Wright household on November 5, 1850, and her age as 28 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1822.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Martha Wright in the Nancy Wright household on June 20, 1860, and her age as 34 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1826, and her occupation as weaver.

The 1870 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Martha Wright in the Mary Wright household on August 3, 1870, and her age as 42 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1828.

The 1880 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Martha Wright in the Mary Wright household on June 23, 1880, her relationship as sister, and her age as 56 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1824.

Tennessee, Deaths and Burials, 1874-1955 listed the death of Martha Wright on February 16, 1912, in Tennessee:

"Name:	Martha Wright
Gender:	Female
Burial Date:	
Burial Place:	
Death Date:	16 Feb 1912
Death Place:	Tennessee
Age: 85	
Birth Date:	1827
Birthplace:	
Occupation:	
Race:	
Marital Status:	
Spouse's Name:	

Father's Name:
Father's Birthplace:
Mother's Name:
Mother's Birthplace:
Indexing Project (Batch) Number: I09688-3
System Origin: Tennessee-EASy
Source Film Number: 888876
Reference Number: p.24 #67 "

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Martha Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(9) Martha Wright who died without children.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Martha Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in

1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

. . . .

The said Gideon and Nancy Wright had the following named other children who died leaving no children surviving them, they never having married, James Wright, Thomas Wright, Martha Wright, and Mary Wright, and the following other named children who had married but died leaving no children, Valera Wright Burkett, Madelade Wright Winterich.

. . . ."

k. Valera Or Velera Or Bolivia (Wright) Burkett, Her Husband Burkett, And Her Descendants

Valera or Velera or Bolivia (Wright) Burkett was a daughter of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Valera Wright in the Gideon Wright household on November 5, 1850, and her age as 24 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1826.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Bolivia Wright in the Nancy Wright household on June 20, 1860, and her age as 31 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1829, and her occupation as weaver.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Velera (Wright) Burkett as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(11) Velera Wright Burkett, who died about 1843, without children.

. . . .
That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Velera Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
. . . .
Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .
1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.
. . . .

The said Gideon and Nancy Wright had the following named other children who died leaving no children surviving them, they never having married, James Wright, Thomas Wright, Martha Wright, and Mary Wright, and the following other named children who had married but died leaving no children, Valera Wright Burkett, Madelade Wright Winterich.
. . . ."

I. Robert N. Wright Of Arkansas, His Wife Nancy N. (Smith) Wright, And His Descendants

Robert N. Wright of Arkansas was a son of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of Robert N. Wright and Nancy N. Smith on November 16, 1846, at Maury County, Tennessee:

"1427

Robt N. Wright
To
Nancy N. Smith

Isd. 16 Novr. 1846 17.

November the 16th came to hand and was Executed according to law By John M. Kelsey A minister of the Gospel of the M. E. Church South"

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Robert N. Wright with the following household on October 12, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Robt N. Wright	23	M		Farmer	
Nancy Wright	22	F			
Nancy A. Wright	3	F			
Henry Wright	1	M			

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
Tenn				
Tenn				
Tenn				
Tenn				

This record indicates that Robert N. Wright was born in about 1827 and that Nancy N. (Smith) Wright was born in about 1828.

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, also listed a Robert Wright, age 42 and born in Virginia, with wife Permelia (____) Wright, age 41 and born in Virginia. Since this Robert Wright was born in Virginia after the time that Gideon Wright had moved to North Carolina, he could not be the son of Gideon Wright, but was from a different family. The birth of Robert N. Wright in Tennessee in about 1827 is also consistent with Gideon Wright's move from Franklin County, North Carolina, to Tennessee between 1821 and 1830.

The 1860 Census for Lawrence County, Arkansas, listed Robert N. Wright with the following household on August 8, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Robert N Wright	32	M		Farmer	600
Nancy Wright	29	F			
Nancy A. M. Wright	13	F			
Henry J W Wright	11	M			
Harriet F Wright	8	F			
Lenevera J A Wright	6	F			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
535	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				

This record indicates that Robert N. Wright was born in about 1828 and that Nancy N. (Smith) Wright was born in about 1831.

Sharp County, Arkansas, was formed from Lawrence County, Arkansas, in 1868.

The 1870 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Nancy Wright with the following household on July 14, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
Nancy Wright	40	F	W	Keeping house	600
Henry Wright	20	M	W	Farmer	
Harriet F Wright	18	F	W		
Jane Wright	16	F	W		

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
225	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				
	Tennessee				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote
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This record indicates that Nancy N. (Smith) Wright was born in about 1830. The absence of Robert N. Wright from the household and the listing in the possession of Nancy of land and personal property with about the same value as in the 1860 Census indicates that Robert N. Wright had died before July 14, 1870.

The 1880 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Nancy N. Wright with the following household on June 7, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Nancy N. Wright	W	F	42		
Harriet F. Wright	W	F	27		Daughter

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unem-ployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
W		Keeping house		
S		.		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Tenn	Va	Va
			Tenn	Va	Va

This record indicates that Nancy N. (Smith) Wright was born in about 1838, which is clearly about a decade off from her actual birth.

The 1900 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Nancy N. Wright in the William A. McKee household on June 1, 1900, her relationship as mother-in-law, her birth in September 1829 in Tennessee, and her marital status as widowed.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Robert Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

> "October Term, 4th Day of December 1918
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> Miss Mildred Wright,
> VS-#2171, Decree
> Josh Wright, et al,
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> . . . .
>
> 2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:
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> . . . .
>
> (10) Robert Wright, who died about 1878 leaving two or three children, whose names and residences are unknown.
>
> . . . .
>
> That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
>
> . . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including the heirs of Robert Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown; Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Robert Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And

they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

. . . .

(6) Robert Wright, a son who died about 1878, leaving as his only heirs at law two or three children whose names and residences are unknown.

. . . ."

From the evidence set forth above and additional evidence set forth below, the children of Robert N. Wright and Nancy N. (Smith) Wright were the following:

1) Nancy A. M. (Wright) McKee, born on August 25, 1847 or in about 1848 in Tennessee,

2) Henry J. W. Wright, born in August 1849 or in about 1850 in Tennessee,

3) Harriet F. Wright, born in about 1852 or 1853 in Tennessee, and

4) Lenervera Jane A. Wright, born in about 1854 in Tennessee.

i. Nancy A. M. (Wright) McKee, Her Husband William A. McKee, And Her Descendants

Nancy A. M. (Wright) McKee was a daughter of 1878 Robert N. Wright of Arkansas and Nancy N. (Smith) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1878 Robert N.[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Nancy A. Wright in the Robert N. Wright household on October 12, 1850, and her age as 3 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

The 1860 Census for Lawrence County, Arkansas, listed Nancy A. M. Wright in the Robert N. Wright household on August 8, 1860, and her age as 13 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1847.

The 1870 Census for Independence County, Arkansas, listed William McKee with the following household on September 19, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
William McKee	21	M	W	Farmer	400
Nancy A McKee	22	F	W		

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
300	Tennessee Tennessee				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

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This record indicates that Nancy A. M. (Wright) McKee was born in about 1848 and that William A. McKee was born in about 1849.

The 1880 Census for Izard County, Arkansas, listed William A. McKee with the following household on June 28, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
William A Wright	W	M	31	.	.
Nancy A Wright	W	F	32	.	Wife
William A Wright	W	M	4	.	Son
James H Wright	W	M	4	.	Son
Nancy A J Wright	W	F	.	9/12	Daughter

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Farmer		
M		Keeping House		
.		.		
.		.		
.		.		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
			Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
			Arkansas	Tennessee	Tennessee
			Arkansas	Tennessee	Tennessee
			Arkansas	Tennessee	Tennessee

This record indicates that Nancy A. M. (Wright) McKee was born in about 1848 and that William A. McKee was born in about 1849.

The 1900 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed William A. McKee with the following household on June 1, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		1	1	William A McKee
				Nannie A McKee
				James H McKee
				Anna A McKee
				Nancy N Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	Sept	1848	51	M
Wife	W	F	Aug	1847	52	M
Son	W	M	Oct	1875	24	M
D in Law	W	F	Oct	1881	18	M
M in Law	W	F	Sept	1829	70	Wd

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
33	.	.	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
33	6	3	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
0	.	.	Arkansas	Tennessee	Tennessee
0	0	0	Arkansas	Tennessee	Tennessee
.	0	0	Tennessee	Georgia	Georgia

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	
			.	0	
			Farmer	0	
			.	0	
			.	0	

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
Yes	Yes	Yes	O	F	F	1
Yes	Yes	Yes				
Yes	Yes	Yes				
Yes	Yes	Yes				
Yes	Yes	Yes				

This record indicates that Nancy A. M. (Wright) McKee was born in September 1848 and that William A. McKee was born in August 1847.

The 1910 Census for Spark County, Arkansas, listed William A. McKee with the following household on April 15, 1910:

Line Number	Location: Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
	Sidney and Baner Fork Road		9	9	William A McKee Nancy A M McKee James M McKee Nancy A McKee William A McKee Jr Oliver N McKee Marcus N McKee Ogal McKee

Relationship: Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Personal Description: Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Mother of how many children: Number born	Number now living
Head	M	W	61	M	43	.	.
Wife	F	W	62	M	43	6	3
Son	M	W	34	M	10	.	.
Daughter in law	F	W	28	M	10	4	4
Grand son	M	W	9	S	.	.	.
Grand son	M	W	6	S	.	.	.
Grand son	M	W	4	S	.	.	.
Grand son	M	W	7/12	S	.	.	.

Nativity			Citizenship	
Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.				
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee		
Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee		
Arkansas	Kentucky	Tennessee		
Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas		
Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas		
Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas		
Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas		

	Occupation		
Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Farmer	General farm	Emp
English	None		
English	Farmer	General farm	Emp
.	None		
.	None		
.	None		
.	None		

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee.		Education		
Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Whether able to read	Whether able to write	Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
		yes	yes	.
		yes	yes	.
		yes	yes	.
		yes	yes	.
		yes	yes	yes
		yes	yes	yes
		yes	yes	yes
		yes	yes	yes

Ownership of Home				Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
Owned or Rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule			
O	F	F	11			

This record indicates that Nancy A. M. (Wright) McKee was born in about 1848 and that William A. McKee was born in about 1849.

The 1920 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed William A. McKee with the following household on January 2, 1920:

	Location				
Line number	Street, avenue, road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling Number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
			1	1	William A. McKee
					Nancy A. McKee
					William A. McKee
					Oliver N. McKee
					Marcus N. McKee
					Oruil W. McKee

Relation.	Tenure.		Personal Description			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	O	F	M	W	71	M
Wife			F	W	72	M
Grandson			M	W	18	S
Grandson			M	W	16	S
Grandson			M	W	14	S
Grandson			M	W	10	S

Citizenship			Education		
Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			no	yes	yes
			no	yes	yes
			yes	yes	yes
			yes	yes	yes

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person		Father		Mother	
Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Tennesee		U. S.		Tennesee	
Tennesee		U. S.		U. S.	
Arkansas		Arkansas		Arkansas	
Arkansas		Arkansas		Arkansas	
Arkansas		Arkansas		Arkansas	
Arkansas		Arkansas		Arkansas	

Occupation				
Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
yes	Farmer	General farm	OA	1
yes	none	.	.	
yes	Farmer	General farm	OA	
yes	Farmer	General farm	OA	
yes	none	.	.	
yes	none	.	.	

This record indicates that Nancy A. M. (Wright) McKee was born in about 1848 and that William A. McKee was born in about 1849.

Findagrave.com listed the gravestone of Nancy A. M. McKee in the Mount Carmel Cemetery, Sidney, Sharp County, Arkansas:

"Birth: Aug. 25, 1847
Death: Aug. 25, 1923

Note: w/o William Arthur McKee

Burial:
Mount Carmel Cemetery
Sidney
Sharp County
Arkansas, USA

Created by: Robin Farley Dixson
Record added: Oct 22, 2003
Find A Grave Memorial# 8010674"

However, Findagrave.com listed her name as Nancy A. Conyers McKee.

Findagrave.com also listed the gravestone of William A. McKee in the Mount Carmel Cemetery, Sidney, Sharp County, Arkansas:

"Birth: Sep. 30, 1848
Death: Feb. 18, 1926

Note: w/o Nancy AM McKee

Burial:
Mount Carmel Cemetery
Sidney
Sharp County
Arkansas, USA

Created by: Robin Farley Dixson
Record added: Oct 22, 2003
Find A Grave Memorial# 8010669"

ii. Henry J. W. Wright, His Wife Minerva P. (_____) Wright, And His Descendants

Henry J. W. Wright was a son of 1878 Robert N. Wright of Arkansas and Nancy N. (Smith) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1878 Robert N.[4])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Henry Wright in the Robert N. Wright household on October 12, 1850, and his age as 1 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

The 1860 Census for Lawrence County, Arkansas, listed Henry J. W. Wright in the Robert N. Wright household on August 8, 1860, and his age as 11 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1849.

The 1870 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Henry Wright in the Nancy Wright household on July 14, 1870, his age as 20 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1850, and his occupation as farmer.

The 1880 Census for Sharp County, Tennessee, listed Henry J. Wright immediately adjacent to Nancy N. Wright with the following household on June 7, 1880:

Name	Color	Sex	Age	Month of Birth	Relationship
Henry J Wright	W	M	31		.
Minerva P. Wright	W	F	24		Wife
Robert H. Wright	W	M	2		Son

Marital Status	Married During Year	Occupation	Months Unemployed	Sickness Blind Deaf & Dumb Idiotic Disabled
M		Farmer		
M		Keeping house		
M		.		

Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read	Cannot Write	Born	Father Born	Mother Born
			Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
			Ark	Tenn	Tenn
			Ark	Tenn	Tenn

This record indicates that Henry J. W. Wright was born in about 1849 and that Minerva P. (____) Wright was born in about 1856. Although Robert H. Wright was listed as married and his mother was born in Tennessee, these are clearly clerical errors and his mother was born in Arkansas, as set forth in the line above.

The 1900 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Henry Wright with the following household on June 15, 1900:

Location				
In Cities		Number of dwelling houses in the order of visitation	Number of family in the order of visition	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.
Street	House Number			
		112	112	Henry Wright
				Ninewy P. Wright
				Robert H Wright
				Thomas M Wright
				Nancy H Wright
				Jessie P Wright
				Sarah M Wright
				Henry L. Wright

Relation	Personal Description					
Relationship of each person the head the family	Color or race	Sex	Date of Birth Month	Date of Birth Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced
Head	W	M	Aug	1849	50	M
Wife	W	F	Feb	1857	43	M
Son	W	M	Nov	1877	22	S
Son	W	M	Apr	1883	17	S
Daughter	W	F	June	1886	13	S
Daughter	W	F	Mar	1889	11	S
Daughter	W	F	Mar	1893	7	S
Son	W	M	Sept	1896	3	S

Personal Description [cont'd]			Nativity		
			Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated.		
Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person
25	.	.	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
25	8	6	Arkansas	Tennessee	Tennessee
.	.	.	Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas
.	.	.	Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas

Citizenship			Occupation, Trade, Or Profession of each person Ten Years of age and over.		Education
Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school in months)
			Farmer	0	.
			.	.	.
			Farmer	0	.
			Farm laborer	0	.
			At school	.	3
			At school	.	3
			.	.	.
			.	.	.

Education [cont'd]			Ownership Of Home			
Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of fam schedule
Yes	Yes	Yes	R		F	66
Yes	Yes	Yes	.		.	.
Yes	Yes	Yes	R		F	67
Yes	Yes	Yes	.		.	.
Yes	Yes	Yes	.		.	.
Yes	No	Yes	.		.	.
No	No	Yes	.		.	.
No	No	Yes	.		.	.

This record indicates that Henry J. W. Wright was born in August 1849 and that Minerva P. (____) Wright was born in February 1857.

The 1910 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Henry J. Wright with the following household on April 23, 1910:

Line Number	Location: Street, Avenue, Road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include any person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.
51	LaCrosse Road		39	39	Henry J. Wright Minerva P. Wright Nina Wright Jessie Wright Sarah Wright Lawrence Wright

Relationship: Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Personal Description: Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years of present marriage	Mother of how many children: Number born	Number now living
Head	M	W	60	M1	33	.	.
Wife	F	W	52	M1	33	8	6
Daughter	F	W	23	.	.	.	.
Daughter	F	W	20	.	.	.	.
Daughter	F	W	16	.	.	.	.
Son	M	W	13	.	.	.	.

Nativity			Citizenship	
Place of birth of each person and parents of each enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth give the country.				
Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the U.S.	Whether naturalized or Alien
Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee		
Arkansas	Tennessee	Tennessee		
Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas		
Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas		
Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas		
Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas		

	Occupation		
Whether able to speak English, or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works	Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
English	Farmer	General Farm	OA
English	None		
English	None		
English	None		
English	None		
English	None		

Occupation (cont'd) If an employee.		Education		
Whether out of work on April 15, 1910.	Number of weeks out of work during 1909.	Whether able to read	Whether able to write	Attended school any time since Sept 1, 1900.
No	0	Yes	Yes	.
.	.	Yes	Yes	.
.	.	Yes	Yes	.
.	.	Yes	Yes	No
.	.	Yes	Yes	Yes
.	.	Yes	Yes	Yes

Ownership of Home				Whether a survivor of the Union Confederation Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes)	Whether deaf and dumb.
Owned or Rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule			
R		F	45			

This record indicates that Henry J. Wright was born in about 1850 and that Minerva P. (____) Wright was born in about 1858.

The 1920 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Henry J. Wright with the following household on January 19, 1920:

	Location				
Line number	Street, avenue, road etc.	House number or farm	Dwelling Number	Number of family, in order of visitation	Name of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920 was in this family.
	Thomasville Road		126	132	Henry J. Wright Manervia Wright Jessie Wright Henry L. Wright Oma Wright

Relation.	Tenure.		Personal Description			
Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	Home owned or rented	If owned, free or mortgaged	Sex	Color or Race	Age at last birthday	Single, married, widowed, or divorced
head	R		M	W	70	M
wife			F	W	63	M
daughter			F	W	29	S
son			M	W	22	S
granddaughter			F	W	9	S

Citizenship			Education		
Year of immigration to the United States.	Naturalized or alien	If naturalized, year of naturalization.	Attended school any-time since Sept. 1, 1919	Able to read.	Able to write.
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			.	yes	yes
			yes	.	.

Nativity and Mother Tongue

Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in United States, give state or territory. If foreign birth, give the place of birth, and in addition, the mother tongue.

Person		Father		Mother	
Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue	Place of Birth	Mother Tongue
Tennessee		Tennessee		Tennessee	
Arkansas		Tennessee		Tennessee	
Arkansas		Tennessee		Arkansas	
Arkansas		Tennessee		Arkansas	
Arkansas		Arkansas		Arkansas	

Occupation

Able to speak English	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
yes	none	.		102
yes	none	.		
yes	none	.		
yes	Laborer	At home		
.	none	.		

This record indicates that Henry J. Wright was born in about 1850 and that Minerva P. (____) Wright.

iii. Harriet F. Wright

Harriet F. Wright was a daughter of 1878 Robert N. Wright of Arkansas and Nancy N. (Smith) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1878 Robert N.[4])

The 1860 Census for Lawrence County, Arkansas, listed Harriet F. Wright in the Robert N. Wright household on August 8, 1860, and her age as 8 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1852.

The 1870 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Harriet F. Wright in the Nancy Wright household on July 14, 1870, and her age as 18 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1852.

The 1880 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Harriet F. Wright in the Nancy N. Wright household on June 7, 1880, her relationship as daughter, and her age as 27 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1853.

iv. Lenevera Jane A. Wright

Lenevera Jane A. Wright was a daughter of 1878 Robert N. Wright of Arkansas and Nancy N. (Smith) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3], 1878 Robert N.[4])

The 1860 Census for Lawrence County, Arkansas, listed Lenevera J. A. Wright in the Robert N. Wright household on August 8, 1860, and her age as 6 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1854.

The 1870 Census for Sharp County, Arkansas, listed Jane Wright in the Nancy Wright household on July 14, 1870, and her age as 16 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1854.

m. Mildred Wright

Mildred Wright was a daughter of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mildred Wright in the Gideon Wright household on November 5, 1850, and her age as 21 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1829.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mildred Wright in the Nancy Wright household on June 20, 1860, and her age as 28 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1832, and her occupation as weaver.

The 1870 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mildred Wright in the Mary Wright household on August 3, 1870, and her age as 39 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1831.

The 1880 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mildred Wright in the Mary Wright household on June 23, 1880, her relationship as sister, and her age as 44 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1836.

The 1910 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mildred Wright in the Mrs. Susan E. Ricketts household on April 25, 1910, her relationship as aunt, her age as 83 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1827, her parents born in North Carolina, and living on her own income.

The 1920 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Mildred Wright in the Mrs. Susan E. Ricketts household on January 22, 1920, her relationship as sister, her age as 90 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1830, and her parents born in Tennessee.

Tennessee, Death Records, 1914-1955 listed the death record of Mildred Wright on January 27, 1921, in Maury County, Tennessee:

"State of Tennessee
State Board of health
Bureau of Vital Statistics
Certificate of Death

1 Place of Death	
County	Maury Co
Civil Dist.	5th
Registration District No.	46105
Primary Registration District No.	5
File No.	7124
2 Full Name	Mildred Wright
3 Sex	Female
4 Color or Race	White
5 Single, married, widowed, divorced	Single
6 Date of Birth	6-24-1829

7 Age 91 yrs. 7 mos. 4 ds.
8 Occupation At Home
9 Birthplace Maury Co
Parents
10 Name of Father Gideon Wright
11 Birthplace of Father North Carolina
12 Maiden Name of Mother Nancy Kitrell
13 Birthplace of Mother North Carolina
14 The above is true to the best of my knowledge
Informant Mrs W B. Moore
Address Culleoca Tenn
15 Filed
Registrar R. H. Kennedy
Medical Certificate of Death
16 Date of Death 1-27-1921
17 I hereby certify, That I attended deceased from Jan 1920 to Jan 1921, that I last saw her alive on Jany 5th, 1920 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 1 p.m. The cause of death was as follows: she was 92 yrs old and died from cardiac failure several months. Contributory I only saw(?) her ____ medicine ____

Signed M B Smiser, M.D.
Culleoca

18 Length of Residence
19 Place of Burial or Removal Wilks Cemetery
Date of Burial 1-28, 1921
20 Undertaker Musser___(?) Co
Address Culleoca T"

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Mildred Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(15) Mildred Wright, your Complainant, who now resides at Cullecka, Maury County, Tennessee.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.
. . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including Mildred Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
Thursday January 2nd 1919.

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present and presiding, the Honorable W. B. Turner, Judge, etc., sitting by interchange with Hon. Walter S. Bearden, Chancellor, etc.,
. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown; Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by

the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.
. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Mildred Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court
. . . .
Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,
. . . .
1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.
. . . .
(8) Miss Mildred Wright, a daughter, Complainant in this cause who resides at Cullecka, this County.

(9 Richard Wright, a son, who sold and transferred his interest in the tract of land sold in this cause to his sister Miss Mildred Wright, during his life time, who has since died and left no children he never having been married.
. . . ."

n. Archibald L. Wright Of Arkansas, His Wife Martha A. (Burkett) Wright, And His Descendants

Archibald L. Wright of Arkansas was a son of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Archibald Wright in the Gideon Wright household on November 5, 1850, and his age as 20 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1830.

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of Archibald L. Wright and Martha A. Burkett on January 12, 1854, at Maury County, Tennesse:

"2653

Archibald L. Wright
and
Martha A. Burkett

Issued 11 Jany 1854

This is to certify that on the 12th Instant the rites of matrimony were duly solemnized between the within named parties. Given under my hand this 12th Jany 1854

J. T. Moss M. G."

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed A. L. Wright with the following household on August 28, 1860:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
A. L. Wright	30	M		Wagon Maker	400
M. A. Wright	28	F			
L. W. Wright	3	F			

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
750	Ten				
	Ten				
	Ten				

This record indicates that Abraham L. Wright was born in about 1830 and that Martha A. (Burkett) Wright was born in about 1832.

The 1870 Census for St. Francis County, Arkansas, listed A. T. Wright with the following household on June 20, 1870:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
A. T. Wright	39	M	W	Carpenter	600
Martha A Wright	39	F	W	House keeper	
Ladara Wright	13	F	W	.	
Mary F Wright	6	F	W	.	
Nancy Wright	3	F	W	.	
Charles G Wright	1	M	W	.	

Value of Personal Property	Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Born Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read
200	Tenn				
	Tenn				
	Tenn				
	Ark				
	Ark				
	Ark				

Cannot Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane or Idiot	Male Citizen Over 21	Male Citizen Over 21 Without Right to Vote

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This record indicates that Archibald L. Wright and Marttha A. (Burkett) Wright were born in about 1831.

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Archibald Wright as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(12) Archibald Wright who died about 1884 in the State of Arkansas leaving several children, whose names and residences are unknown.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

. . . ."

On January 2, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, the court entered its order confirming the sale of the land of Gideon Wright and the division of the proceeds among the heirs, including the heirs of Archibald Wright:

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Thursday January 2nd 1919.

. . . .

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that all the right, title, claim and interest of whatsoever nature or kind that the Complainant, Miss Mildred Wright, and of the defendants, Josh Wright, Jr., Jno. W. Wright, C. A. Wright, Louise Thomas Smith, Martha A. Neely, Carrie Neely, and the three children of the said Carrie Neely, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown, the above named being all the heirs of Josh K. Wright; Mary Wright, and Gideon Wright, the surviving children of Griffin Wright; the two or three children of William Wright, whose names ages, and residences are unknown; Susan Ricketts, and two children of Lollie Hall, deceased, whose names and residences are unknown, Thomas Hall, Madison Hall, and the five children of Annie Hall Nowlin, deceased, whose names, ages, and residences are unknown; Gid Wright, Willie Wright, Maggie Wright Brooks, children of Jno. Wright, deceased; the two or three children of Robert Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown; the several children of Archibald Wright, dec'd, whose names and residences are unknown, and the unknown heirs of any and all of the children of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and the unknown minors of any of the parties to this cause, said Complainants and defendants being all the surviving children and heirs at law of Gideon and Nancy Wright, parents of the Complainant Miss Mildred Wright,- in and to said land be divested out of them and each and all of them and vested in the purchaser, the Charleston (S.C.) Mining & Manufacturing Company, a corporation. Said land is described as follows:- Situated in the old 11th, now 6th, Civil District of Maury County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows: on the North by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, on the East by Mr. Pleasant and Enterprise road, on the South by the lands of M. E. Wheeler, and on the West by the Charleston Mining & Manufacturing Company's lands, containing 64 acres, more or less.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including the heirs of Archibald Wright:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

. . . .

(7) Archibald Wright, a son who died about 1884, leaving as his only heirs at law several children whose names and ages, and residences are unknown.

. . . ."

o. Madelaide Or Madelade (Wright) Winterich, Her Husband Joseph Winterich, And Her Descendants

Madelaide or Madelade (Wright) Winterich was a daughter of 1856 Gideon Wright of Maury County, Tennessee, and Nancy (Kittrell) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2], 1856 Gideon[3])

The 1850 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Madelaide Wright in the Gideon Wright household on November 5, 1850, and her age as 14 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1836.

The 1860 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Maderlaid Wright in the Nancy Wright household on June 20, 1860, and her age as 23 and born in Tennessee, indicating a date of birth in about 1837, and her occupation as weaver.

The 1870 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Madlade Wright in the Mary Wright household on August 3, 1870, and her age as 33 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1837.

The 1880 Census for Maury County, Tennessee, listed Madelen L. Wright in the Mary Wright household on June 23, 1880, her relationship as sister, and her age as 39 and born in North Carolina, indicating a date of birth in about 1841.

Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002 listed the marriage of Mrs. M. L. Wright and Joseph Winterich on March 2, 1882, at Maury County, Tennesse:

"No.

Joseph Winterich
and
Mrs M L Wright

Issued Feby 28th 1882

I solemnized the Rites of Matrimony between the within named parties the 2 day of March 1882

S M Cherry M G"

On December 4, 1918, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery File VS-2171, a report on the division of the land of Gideon Wright was filed which identified Madelade (Wright) Winterich as a child of Gideon and Nancy Wright:

"October Term, 4th Day of December 1918

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

2nd. There were fifteen original heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, and all of them are dead except the Complainant, Mildred Wright, and they are as follows:

. . . .

(13) Madelade Wright Winterich who died about 1889 without children.

. . . .

That diligent search has been made for the unknown heirs and none of them have been heard from for years past, although inquiry and diligent search has been made by relatives for the past number of years, without success, and it is not known whether they are living or dead, or how many there are, or the ages of them.

. . . ."

On May 9, 1919, at Maury County, Tennessee, Chancery Ct.O.B. 46/645, a further report was filed of the heirs of Gideon and Nancy Wright, including Madelade (Wright) Winterich:

"Minutes, Maury Chancery Court

. . . .

Miss Mildred Wright,
VS-#2171, Decree on Report
Josh Wright, et al,

. . . .

1st & 2nd: That Gideon Wright died in Maury County, Tennessee, in 1856, intestate and his wife Nancy Wright died intestate in Maury County, Tenn., in 1870, seized and possessed of the 64 acre tract of land sold in this cause. And they left surviving them the following named heirs at law who are entitled to the funds on hand in this cause.

. . . .

The said Gideon and Nancy Wright had the following named other children who died leaving no children surviving them, they never having married, James Wright, Thomas Wright, Martha Wright, and Mary Wright, and the following other named children who had married but died leaving no children, Valera Wright Burkett, Madelade Wright Winterich.

. . . ."

2. Nancy Ann (Wright) Algood And Her Husband John Algood

Nancy Ann (Wright) Algood was a daughter of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

North Carolina, Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868 listed the marriage bond of Nancy Wright and John Algood on September 1, 1801, at Franklin County, North Carolina, and with Gideon Wright as surety:

"Groom: John Algood
Bride: Nancy Wright
Bond date: 1 Sep 1801
Bond #: 000046614
Level Info: North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868
ImageNum: 008936
County: Franklin
Record #: 02 003
Bondsman: Gideon Wright
Witness: Tho Brickell, C"

The listing of Gideon Wright as surety identifies the Nancy Wright of this marriage bond as his daughter Ann (Wright) Algood of Franklin County, North Carolina, Deed 22/169 referred to below.

North Carolina, Marriages, 1759-1979 listed the marriage of Nancy Wright and John Algood on September 1, 1801, at Franklin County, North Carolina:

"Groom's Name:	John Algood
Groom's Birth Date:	
Groom's Birthplace:	
Groom's Age:	
Bride's Name:	Nancy Wright
Bride's Birth Date:	
Bride's Birthplace:	
Bride's Age:	
Marriage Date:	01 Sep 1801
Marriage Place:	Franklin,North Carolina
Groom's Father's Name:	
Groom's Mother's Name:	
Bride's Father's Name:	
Bride's Mother's Name:	
Groom's Race:	
Groom's Marital Status:	
Groom's Previous Wife's Name:	
Bride's Race:	
Bride's Marital Status:	
Bride's Previous Husband's Name:	
Indexing Project (Batch) Number:	M51600-1
System Origin:	North_Carolina-ODM
Source Film Number:	6330285
Reference Number: "	

Franklin County Kinfolks stated that on April 11, 1826, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 22/169 John Algood and Ann Algood sold to Thomas D. Wright their one-tenth interest in the land of Griffin Wright, deceased, which descended to Ann Algood as an heir.

The 1830 Census for Franklin County, North Carolina, listed John Algood with the following household:

Names Heads of Families	Free White Males	Age	Free White Females	Age
John Algood	1	50-60	1	40-50
	1	20-30	2	20-30
	1	10-15	2	15-20
			2	10-15
			1	5-10

Slaves Male	Age	Slaves Female	Age	Free Colored Males	Age	Free Colored Females	Age
1	55-100	1	36-55			1	0-10
1	36-55	1	10-24				
1	0-19	1	0-10				

	White Persons included in the foregoing				
Total	Deaf & Dumb Under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind	Aliens - Foreigners & Naturalized
17					

Slaves and Colored Persons, included in the foregoing			
Deaf & Dumb under 14	Deaf & Dumb 14 to 25	Deaf & Dumb 25+	Blind

This record indicates that John Algood was born between 1770 and 1780.

North Carolina, Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868 listed the marriage bond of John Algood and Mary Jernigan on January 4, 1840, at Franklin County, North Carolina, and with Gideon Wright as surety:

"Groom: John Algood
Bride: Mary Jernigan
Bond date: 4 Jan 1840
Bond #: 000046613
Level Info: North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868
ImageNum: 004152
County: Franklin
Record #: 02 003
Bondsman: A Evans
Witness: S Patterson"

This record indicates that Nancy Ann (Wright) Algood had died before January 4, 1840.

The 1840 Census for Franklin County, North Carolina, listed John Algood with the following household:

Names of Heads of Families	Free White Persons Males	Age	Free White Persons Females	Age
John Algood	1	60-70	2	30-40
	1	15-20	2	20-30
			1	15-20

Free Colored Persons Male	Age	Free Colored Persons Female	Age	Slaves Males	Age	Slaves Females	Age
		1	24-36	1	36-55	1	36-55
		1	10-24				

	Number of Persons in each Family Employed in					
Total	Mining	Agri-culture	Commerce	Manufacture and trades	Navi-gation of the ocean	Navigation of canals lakes and rivers
11		4		1		

Learned profes-sions and engineers	Pensioners for Revolu-tionary or Military Services included in the foregoing		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane White Persons included in the Foregoing		
	Names	Ages	Deaf and Dumb No.	Ages	Blind

Deaf and Dumb, Blind and In-sane White Persons Included in the Foregoing [Continued]		Deaf and Dumb, Blind and Insane Colored Persons Included in the Foregoing			
Insane and Idiots		Deaf, Dumb, and Blind		Insane and Idiots	
Insane and idiots at public charge	Insane and idiots at private charge	Deaf & Dumb	Blind	Insane and idiots at private charge	Insane and idiots at public charge

Schools, &c.						
Univer-sities or College	Number of Students	Acade-mies & Grammar Schools	No. of Scholars	Primary and Common Schools	No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars at public charge

No. of white persons over 90 years of age in each family who cannot read or write

This record indicates that indicates that John Algood was born between 1770 and 1780.

The 1850 Census for Franklin County, North Carolina, listed John Algood with the following household on August 22, 1850:

Name	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of Real Estate
John Algood	73	M	.	Farmer	600
Mary Algood	46	F	.	.	
John Algood	10	M	.	.	
Mourning Algood	8	F	.	.	
Narcissa Algood	5	F	.	.	
Mazho Helmon	35	M	B	Farmer	

Place of Birth	Married Within Year	Attended School Within Year	Cannot Read & Write	Deaf Dumb Blind Insane etc.
No. Ca.		.	.	
No. Ca.		.	1	
No. Ca.		1	.	
No. Ca.		1	.	
No. Ca.		1	.	
No. Ca.		.	1	

This record indicates that John Algood was born in about 1777.

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Ann Wright was a daughter of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

3. Mary D. Wright

Mary D. Wright was a daughter of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Mary D. Wright was a daughter of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

4. Elizabeth Wright

Elizabeth Wright was a daughter of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Elizabeth Wright was a daughter of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

5. Sarah Wright

Sarah Wright was a daughter of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Sarah C. Wright was a daughter of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

6. George Wright

George Wright was a son of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

The will of Griffin Wright dated March 20, 1811, and probated on September 16, 1816, at Franklin County, North Carolina, W.B. E/110 listed George Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item 6th I nominate and apoint my Sons Gideon, George, Richard, Thomas, and James my Executors to this my last Will and Testament . . . ."

Franklin County Kinfolks stated as follows:

1) On September 27, 1826, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 23/8 George Wright sold to George W. Harris his undivided interest in the land of his father Griffin Wright, deceased, and in the dower land of his mother.

2) On March 9, 1822, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 26/559 Thomas D. Wright sold land as agent for James Wright and George Wright acted as witness.

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that George Wright was a son of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

7. Susannah G. Wright

Susannah G. Wright was a daughter of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Susannah G. Wright was a daughter of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

8. Richard Wright

Richard Wright was a son of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

The will of Griffin Wright dated March 20, 1811, and probated on September 16, 1816, at Franklin County, North Carolina, W.B. E/110 listed Richard Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item 6th I nominate and apoint my Sons Gideon, George, Richard, Thomas, and James my Executors to this my last Will and Testament . . . ."

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Richard Wright was a son of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

9. Thomas D. Wright

Thomas D. Wright was a son of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

The will of Griffin Wright dated March 20, 1811, and probated on September 16, 1816, at Franklin County, North Carolina, W.B. E/110 listed Thomas Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item 6th I nominate and apoint my Sons Gideon, George, Richard, Thomas, and James my Executors to this my last Will and Testament . . . ."

Franklin County Kinfolks stated as follows:

1) On January 29, 1819, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 18/53 Thomas D. Wright purchased land.

2) On May 11, 1821, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 19/187 Thomas D. Wright and Mary D. Wright purchased land.

3) On March 9, 1822, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 26/559 Thomas D. Wright sold land as agent for James Wright and George Wright acted as witness.

4) On April 11, 1826, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 22/169 John Algood and Ann Algood sold to Thomas D. Wright their one-tenth interest in the land of Griffin Wright, deceased, which descended to Ann Algood as an heir.

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Thomas D. Wright was a son of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

10. James Wright

James Wright was a son of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

The will of Griffin Wright dated March 20, 1811, and probated on September 16, 1816, at Franklin County, North Carolina, W.B. E/110 listed James Wright as one of his children:

> ". . . . Item 6th I nominate and apoint my Sons Gideon, George, Richard, Thomas, and James my Executors to this my last Will and Testament . . . ."

Franklin County Kinfolks stated as follows:

1) On March 9, 1822, at Franklin County, North Carolina, D.B. 26/559 Thomas D. Wright sold land as agent for James Wright and George Wright acted as witness.

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that James Wright was a son of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

11. Hannah Wright

Hannah Wright was a daughter of 1816 Griffin Wright of Franklin County, North Carolina, and Delphia (Glenn) Wright. (1769 George[1], 1816 Griffin[2])

In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Hannah Wright was a daughter of Griffin Wright and Delphia (Glenn) Wright.

M. Elizabeth Or Eliza (Wright) Cox And Her Husband Matthew Cox

Elizabeth or Eliza (Wright) Cox was the daughter of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright. (1769 George[1])

The will of 1769 George Wright dated September 29, 1760, and probated on December 18, 1769, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 12/378 listed Eliza Wright as one of his daughters:

> ". . . . my will and desire is that after my wife Decease that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given (viz) Lands Negroes and all other pos'ns my Goods & chattels be sold and the money arising by such sale to be equally Divided between my ten other children to wit James Wright William Wright Saml. Wright Benja. Wright Griffin Wright Richd Wright Stephen Wright Ann Cox Susannah Gatewood & Eliza Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

The will of Elizabeth (____) Wright was dated July 7, 1775, and probated on September 18, 1775, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 13/18, listed Elizabeth Wright as one of her daughters:

> "In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Wright of Essex County . . . . ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth (Viz.)
> . . . .
> Item I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Cox one Feather Bed and Furniture the bed that she hath in Possession to her and her heirs forever. Item, I Give to my son Stephen Wright Seven pounds Cash to purchase him a Bed to him and his heirs forever
>
> Item, my Will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given Vizt Lands and all other my Goods be sold and the Money Ariseing by such sale to be Equally Divided Between my seven Children to wit James Wright, Benjamin Wright Griffin Wright, Richard Wright Stephen Wright Susannah Gatewood Elizabeth Cox . . . ."

The will and codicil of James Wright dated on January 23, 1813, and March 29, 1813, and probated on January 17, 1814, at Essex County, Virginia W.B. 17/510, listed Matthew Cox as a beneficiary:

> ". . . . I give to Matthew Cox one negroe man named Glauster one negroe woman named phebe and three Children named Carter and Julia and the youngest unnamed to him and his heirs forever. . . ."

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed the following information regarding Eliza Wright Cox:

"Eliza Wright-Cox. Eliza Wright was apparently the youngest child of George and Elizabeth Wright as she is named last by both her father and mother in that order in their respective wills.

Her father in 1769 lists her as his daughter Eliza Wright and her mother in 1775 names her as Cox, so she had in the interim married a Cox.

The only Cox mentioned as connected with the Wright family was Mathew Cox in her brother's will (James Wright (E) 1814). The only record by the name of Mathew Cox is in 1826 in which he and his wife Judy are listed as of King and Queen County (see 1 above). In 1828 William Cox married Eliza Ball (Essex Reg. 1-245) and this same William Cox and Elizabeth his wife sell land in Essex County (D 47-184) which said Cox bought of Achilles Lumpkin to Henry W. Latane. This item eliminates Eliza Wright-Cox as being this Elizabeth wife of William Cox.

Another enlightening instrument is a marriage contract dated 1841 (D 47-490) between Eliza Cox and Thomas S. Muse. This lists her of Westmoreland County and states that she is possessed with (considerable property) real and personal property from her late husband Downing Cox of Westmoreland County. This could be the Eliza Wright who by 1775 had married Downing Cox who was dead by 1841."

However, Elizabeth (Wright) Cox was first listed in the the will of Elizabeth (____) Wright immediately after her sons Benjamin, Griffin, and Richard; Elizabeth (Wright) Cox was also listed last in the second listing of her children. The result is that it is not clear that Elizabeth Wright was the youngest child. If James were the first son and Elizabeth (Wright) Cox was the first daughter after the birth of four sons, then it would seem more probable that the parents would name the first daughter after the mother Elizabeth (____) Wright.

In addition, in her letter dated August 14, 1990, Sue Wright stated that the 1850 Census for Essex County, Virginia, listed Thomas S. Muse, age 60, and Eliza Muse, age 53. Such a date of birth would be too late for Elizabeth, the daughter of 1769 George Wright of Essex County.

Sue Wright also noted that there was a Matthew Cox in Cumberland County, Virginia, whose wife's name was Elizabeth in a 1777 deed and who was security for Mary Wright's bond as executrix for the will of George Wright.

N. Stephen Wright And His Wife Peggy (Brooks) Wright

Stephen Wright was a son of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright. (1769 George[1])

The will of 1769 George Wright dated September 29, 1760, and probated on December 18, 1769, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 12/378 listed Stephen Wright as one of his sons:

> ". . . . my will and desire is that after my wife Decease that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given (viz) Lands Negroes and all other pos'ns my Goods & chattels be sold and the money arising by such sale to be equally Divided between my ten other children to wit James Wright William Wright Saml. Wright Benja. Wright Griffin Wright Richd Wright Stephen Wright Ann Cox Susannah Gatewood & Eliza Wright to them and their heirs forever . . . ."

The will of Elizabeth (____) Wright dated July 10, 1775, and probated on September 18, 1775, at Essex County, Virginia, W.B. 13/18 listed Stephen Wright as one of her children:

> "In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Wright of Essex County . . . . make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth (Viz.)
> . . . .
> Item, I Give to my son Stephen Wright Seven pounds Cash to purchase him a Bed to him and his heirs forever
>
> Item, my Will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate that I have not before Given Vizt Lands and all other my Goods be sold and the Money Ariseing by such sale to be Equally Divided Between my seven Children to wit James Wright, Benjamin Wright Griffin Wright, Richard Wright Stephen Wright Susannah Gatewood Elizabeth Cox lastly I Constitute and appoint my three sons James Wright Richard Wright and Stephen Wright my Executors to this my last Will and Testament Revoking all other Will or Wills heretofore by me made and acknowledge this to be my Will and no other In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this tenth Day July one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Five
> . . . ."

The 1782 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Stephen Wright and James Wright and James Allen with the following household:

	W Tithes	Negroes	Nett Cattle	Horses	Wheels
James Wright Stephen Wright, Jas Allen Frank Sharper, George James Purdew Violet Phebe Agness Winney	3	9	24	5	

This record indicates that Stephen Wright was born before 1762.

The 1783 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Stephen Wright and James Wright with the following household:

List of Taxables in the 2d District taken by Newman Brockenbrough April 1784	White Tithes	Black Tithes	Total No Slaves	Nett Cattle
James Wright - Sharper Frank, Pander Violet, Hannah James Abram, Jerry Henney Aggy 1 young Child, Stephen Wright	2	5	11	23

Coverg Horses	Horses & Mules	Wheels	Ordy Licence
	6		

Lost Marriages Of Buckingham County, Virginia, stated that the marriage bond of Stephen Wright and Peggy Brooks was dated on November 1, 1784, at Buckingham County, Virginia, with Peter Ford as surety and John Nicholas as witness, citing the source as the Virginia Historical Society.

The 1785 Personal Property Tax List for Essex County, Virginia, listed Stephen Wright and James Wright with the following household:

	W Tithes	B Tithes	T Slaves	Horses & Mules
James Wright, Stephen Wright, Frank, Sharper, Abraham, Jerry James Edward Lucey Emanuel Ambrose Hannah Violet ____ Phebe Agness Winney	2	7	15	6

Cattle	C Horses	O Licenses	Wheels
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In her letter dated April 19, 1989, Sue Wright stated that Stephen Wright resided in 1782 in Essex County, Virginia.

In her letter dated September 2, 1988, Helen MacDonald enclosed family group sheets which stated that Stephen Wright was a son of 1769 George Wright of Essex County and Elizabeth (____) Wright.

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